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A TRAGIC FATE.

P.C. Taylor rendered first-aid. Later the injured woman was admitted to hospital, but despite every attention she died from shock and extensive burns.

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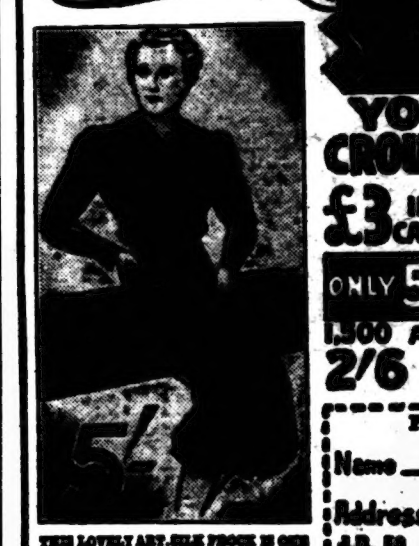
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BOOK 4 POISONED WOUNDS AND INSENSIBILITY

Poisoned Wounds and Stings—The Nervous System—General Rules for Treatment of Insensibility—Causes and Degrees of Insensibility—How to apply Artificial Respiration—Treatment of Asphyxia caused by Strangulation, poisonous gases, choking, etc. Symptoms of Convulsion and Compression of the Brain—Diagnosis and treatment of Apoplexy, etc., etc.

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Nurse's duties to Patient, Relative, Doctor and herself—The faults of a bad nurse and how to avoid them—Personal Hygiene for Nurses—Clothing for Nurses—Function of the Patient's body from the Nurse's point of view—ROLLER BANDAGING—Uses of the Roller Bandage—Rules and Methods of Application—How to make and apply "Many-Tailed" Bandages, etc., etc.

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BOOK 9 OBSERVATION OF THE SICK—INVALID COOKERY

Daily Routine—Washing the Patient—How to take Temperature and Pulse—Counting Patient's Respiration—How to prepare a Record Chart—Invalid Cooking—The Importance of Diet—What is meant by a Liquid Diet—Special Diet, how to prepare and serve—Aids to feeding, etc., etc.

BOOK 10 HOME NURSING—TREATMENT

How to administer Medicines by Mouth, under and through the skin, by Inhalation, by the Bowel. How to prepare and administer Enemas—How to make and use External Applications—Poultices, Fomentations—Hot and Cold Packs, Ice Bags, Cold Compresses—Mustard Plasters, etc., etc.

BOOK 11 INFECTIOUS DISEASES—SURGICAL NURSING

Infection and Disinfection—How to take Precautions against the spread of Infection—Disinfecting the Sick-room—How to recognise signs and symptoms of Infectious Diseases—Treatment of Infectious Diseases—Isolation and Lavation—What Antiseptics to use, etc., etc.

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Next Month?

Secondly, there is real danger of a similar coup in Danzig at the end of next month.

On the other hand, his difficulties in Czechoslovakia are increasing. But these, added to his trade problems, may spur him on to fresh conquests whose spoils would give temporary support to the tottering Nazi economics.

Now the British Government is offering him the opportunity to solve his difficulties permanently, and thereby to assure Europe of a settled peace.

Go Ahead!

Lord Halifax has said definitely that we are willing and anxious to consider the whole subject of living space for every nation.

JOHN BULL, indeed, could wish that he had gone a little further. Instead of promising a world conference as soon as signs are hopeful, why not let that conference provide the hope instead of tamely following it?

In short, it should be called at once.

Challenge

Nevertheless, the offer is one which the German Fuehrer should accept without quibble. It may well prove his last chance of leading Germany into peaceful prosperity.

If he ignores it, he will take the risk of dragging his own land and most of Europe into incalculable disaster.

His Grace Retires

The resignation of the Archbishop of Canterbury will be announced shortly.

Now seventy-five, he cannot leave his post until next year, for he has promised to attend important Church conferences in the early part of 1940 and will not break his word.

Carry On!

And here is news of a man who wants to carry on.

(Continued overleaf.)

Secrets

BEHIND THE NEWS

Sir John Simon is now first in the running for the Premiership.

Defence Ministers and the Treasury propose to engage scores of additional cost accountants to check munition prices.

London business men are preparing a "Be Cheerful" publicity campaign. Similar scheme in Belgium has proved very successful.

FOREIGN OFFICE IS WORRIED BY SYSTEMATIC TAPPING IN BERLIN OF PHONE CALLS TO BRITISH OFFICIALS IN RUSSIA AND NORTHERN EUROPE.

New cable from Aberdeen to Norway is planned; will save calls having to pass through Berlin. G.P.O. experts have just returned from Oslo.

BRITISH DOCKYARDS MAY SOON GET IMPORTANT NAVAL ORDERS FROM MOSCOW, WHOSE EXPERTS ARE NOW COMPLETING THEIR ENQUIRIES.

Not only Merchant Navy officers but stewards and deckhands are being trained in anti-submarine and anti-aircraft gunnery.

Every time a "Queen Bee," pilotless target, is hit by an anti-aircraft battery it costs £2,000. In future, reduced charge ammunition—which gives the effect of a hit from the gunners' angle but does not destroy—will always be used.

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SECRET TRIALS ARE TAKING PLACE AT COVENTRY OF AN AMAZINGLY CHEAP, SMALL HORSE-POWER CAR WHICH IS TO BE INTRODUCED TO THE WORLD MARKETS. IT IS REPORTED TO BE INFINITELY BETTER THAN THE GERMAN "STRENGTH THROUGH JOY" FAMILY CAR.

A London commercial firm which dealt largely with Germany has been so badly hit that clerks have been discharged after long service. Question of their pension rights may come before the courts.

New chemical process to make "cloth" from straw has been discovered in Germany.

Certain foreign States, anxious to buy British aeroplanes, are suspected to be acting as Axis agents.

NEW OILFIELD HAS BEEN FOUND IN HUNGARY. GERMAN EXPERTS HAVE MAPPED THE AREA WITHOUT ASKING PERMISSION FROM THE HUNGARIAN GOVERNMENT.

Austrian export trade has fallen by 41 per cent. in a year; Nazi Ministry of Economics has ordered that no trade figures shall be published in future.

German Government propose to set more Jews adrift now that the refugee ship, with 900 people aboard, has at last found sanctuary at San Domingo, in the West Indies.

Field-Marshal Goering, on holiday, has given orders that he must not be photographed in bathing-costume.

Brazilian President will soon announce that in event of war Brazil would allow the U.S.A. to use her ports and armed forces.

But Germany is seeking concession in Bolivia to build an airport for her own use—in return for supplying arms and munitions.

Berlin is pleased with Dr. Goebbels' trip to Egypt. One politician there has accepted a £50,000 bribe to foment trouble among the Arabs.

THREE-QUARTERS OF ABYSSINIA IS NOW OUT OF CONTROL; ITALIAN POSTS HAVE BEEN WITHDRAWN; ONLY MAIN ROADS AND JIBUTI RAILWAY ARE PATROLLED.

Spanish efforts to break the Anglo-Portuguese alliance are intensifying. But Portugal's President is determined to remain loyal to Britain.

Ex-King Zog is not so rich as he expected to be. Italian frontier guards have just seized some of his plate, worth £5,000, as it was being smuggled from Albania into Greece.

To help build up France's reserves, M. Daladier is considering the withdrawal of all silver coins and replacing them with nickel.

Japan, anxious not to be dragged into European affairs, is expected to leave the anti-Comintern Pact shortly.

But Japan hopes to bestride Afghanistan; is sending engineers to build roads and is training young Afghans at Tokio military college.

Japan is also wooing Siam, offering to build cruisers at half the normal price.



Our shipyards are busy again—will soon be still busier with Russian orders.

Straight from the Shoulder

President Roosevelt has definitely decided to stand for the third time, in defiance of precedent, at next year's Presidential elections.

Welcome news, for in private messages to Britain he has made it clear that he wants to forge still closer ties between his country and ours.

Ready Rock

The refortification of Gibraltar is now complete. In five months its Governor, Sir Edmund Ironside, newly appointed chief of our overseas forces, has converted the rock into a bastion of steel.

Anti-aircraft guns have been installed in spectacular numbers, and the big guns are of greater calibre than those which the Germans and Italians have so kindly installed for General Franco and which point towards Gibraltar.

Children First

JOHN BULL takes pride in having been among the first to urge British sanctuary for the refugees.

But our anger is aroused by a British society which has raised funds to enable an Austrian woman to bring her cats here.

The fifteen or twenty pounds should have been devoted to helping a refugee—or a British slum child.

They're Moving

A.R.P. plans forge ahead—as fast as pained snails.

Respirators for babies, announced with much fuss a month ago, are "in course of manufacture." Only a score are ready.

Seconds Out

As for the Finsbury deep shelters which Sir John Anderson frowned upon so loftily, they have been approved by one of the two Deputy Regional Directors, much to Sir John's annoyance.

The battle is still waging and there are threats of resignations. If it's Sir John who resigns, we shall bear the news with fortitude.

Good for Rats

Again, Hastings is told that it must accept the official scheme for using the town's sewer as an air raid shelter—or get no Government grant.

The town's own sensible scheme is banned, perhaps because it would make work for the unemployed. And experts say the sewer could provide no more protection from a bomb than the lower rooms of an ordinary house; would anyway have no accommodation for 60,000 of the inhabitants.

But the boys of Whitehall have built excellent dug-outs for themselves.

Hustle

One last ironical word on the subject: The Government has sent confidential instructions to all local authorities, urging them to complete A.R.P. plans before the autumn.

News from Wonderland

By the way, M.P.s are to demand the removal of two Regional Food Defence chiefs who are more than seventy years old.

The official answer is already prepared: "We shall keep them in their posts to draw up necessary schemes, but if war came they would be replaced by younger men."

Swapping horses when crossing the stream has never been worth while. Or,



Lord Rushcliffe's pious phrases won't help the workless!

if you prefer another metaphor, why not let the men who will actually work the machinery take charge now?

Rushcliffe Again

Lord Rushcliffe, who lately discovered the amazing fact that many unemployed men want work but can't find it, is not much more constructive on the subject of workless women.

His Unemployment Assistance Board deplores the ill-health of elderly women who have been without jobs for a long time. It talks of bad eyes, bad teeth, heart trouble and rheumatism.

"These women bear their troubles with fortitude," unctuously prates the Board.

Solution

However, a few among their many thousands may now hope for better times.

Lord Rushcliffe actually suggests that centres should be opened at Liverpool and Glasgow, where they can be trained as domestic servants.

But why only in two cities, the Lord Rushcliffe alone knows.

Farm Dumps

Farmers are used to knocks.

So long as the weather's to blame, they take them with a harmless grumble. But here is a pinprick that is making one farmer wild.

Many weeks ago he ordered a power-driven mower. Assured of quick delivery, he scrapped his old machines.

By now his hay should be in the rick. Instead, he has only just begun cutting.

All for Show

Explanation: delivery of the machine was postponed while it went the round of the agricultural shows.

So the farmer has paid £87 for a mower to cut grass nearly three weeks past its prime—and think of the weather he's missed.

Surely machines could have been made for sale as well as for show?

Unfair

The proposal to make a weekly levy on housewives for the use of milk bottles must be crushed at once.

Bottles get broken, certainly. But if a customer is a bad offender, the retailer can make an individual complaint.

There is no excuse for penalising the whole public. Nor does there seem any reason why cartons, which cost less and for which no charge is made to the housewife, should not be more generally used.

It's in the News

Here we give you our views on three talking-points of interest to all Britain—road slaughter, countryside horrors, and frauds on housewives.

SEVENTEEN men, women and children will be killed to-day. Five hundred and twenty-eight will be injured—some maimed for life, to be a burden to themselves and a perpetual grief to their relatives. They will be slain and smashed on the highways.

Their number is the average day's traffic toll, a toll which must be paid for public carelessness and official indifference.

Of these two causes, the second is by far the graver.

No one can minimise the importance of taking care ourselves and training our children to be alert for danger.

Toll of the Roads

It is significant that the great majority of those who are killed while crossing the road are the very young and the aged—persons who cannot take such care of themselves as the rest of us and for whom the roads must be made safe by others.

But officialdom refuses to help.

For a whole year a House of Lords committee investigated the problem. Then it presented a masterly report which was recently analysed in these columns by Lord Addison, a member of the committee.

That report shows how accidents can be averted and the highways made less dangerous for all—old and young, drivers and walkers.

It has been ignored by the Government.

Now, deservedly, a majority of the Lords has voted against the Government on the issue whether the Lancashire experiment with mobile police patrols, which have saved hundreds of lives, shall be extended to the whole country.

This would cost £2,500,000. The Government is prepared—"reluctantly"—to spend only half that sum.

Nothing is said about the other sensible reforms urged by the committee.

Our supercilious rulers are apparently as anxious to forget them as they are to forget the committee's stinging criticism of the purblind Ministry of Transport.

Parliament and the public must see that their memories are kept green by further protest and agitation.

Otherwise we shall go on sacrificing seventeen lives a day.



HERE are the days when the countryside of this green and pleasant land is seen at its best.

Unless you see it through a villager's eyes. . . . Then it is not quite so pleasant as it appears to the hiker and the motorist.

Picturesque cottages, the photographer's joy, whose floors are green with damp and where you cannot stand upright in the attics which serve as bedrooms.

Time-mellowed villages, without sanitation or electric light, where drinking-water is drawn from condemned wells or stagnant ponds.

Schools that no city would tolerate, to which children must trudge for miles along roads that have no footpath.

Such are some of the aspects of rural life which few town-dwellers know, but which were discussed in London last week by a women's institutes' conference.

One speaker, Lady Denman, championed the thousands of rural women who suffer unnecessary pain in childbirth because midwives are not available.

Another, emphasising that less than half the counties provide free meals for underfed children, told of schools that dish up "milk" puddings made largely of water.

Listening to these indictments of a smug administration, even the Minister of Health must have felt ashamed, for all his complacent speech. But it is not only Mr. Walter Elliot who should be abashed by the disgraces against which JOHN BULL has long inveighed.

M.P.s who are more interested in country pastimes than country problems; the gentry who ornament our county councils; the pointless debaters on parish councils; corporations who veto the national water grid that would end both drought and flood; all are to blame.

A flourishing agriculture is essential for Britain's defence and prosperity. And to stop the trek of young people from the land we must give them decent conditions.



SHOPPING offences are increasing, despite the regulations designed to protect customers, honest traders and manufacturers.

That is made plain by the Retail Trading Standards Association, which is the watchdog for all reputable retailers.

Cotton shirts described as silk poplin. All-wool garments which are nearly half cotton. Linen fabrics which contain no linen. China that is glazed earthenware. Fur linings that are cotton plush. . . .

Those are a few of the cases it has investigated. JOHN BULL's postbag contains many other instances. The latest Ministry of Health report has more, chiefly relating to foodstuffs which do not contain the ingredients which the buyer has a right to expect.

Unfortunately, even if a buyer discovers he has been duped, he usually does nothing. Unfortunately, again, even when unscrupulous traders are caught they usually escape with a trumpery fine.

We therefore urge all shoppers to be on their guard. We urge them to go to the police when they find they have been victimised.

And finally we urge that the regiment of inspectors should concentrate on tracking down the crafty and plausible liars who are obtaining first-class prices for third-class goods.

We Must Have RENT REFORM!

NEARLY one-third of JOHN BULL's huge mail each week concerns rent problems.

Together, the letters present a picture of widespread extortion, tyranny and injustice that can be equalled in no other department of our social life.

OF THE MANY BITTER GRIEVANCES REVEALED, THE WORST OF ALL IS DISTRAINT.

LAST YEAR 118,000 HOMES WERE DISTRAINED UPON FOR ARREARS OF RENT.

Without having recourse to any Court, simply by signing a warrant and handing it to a bailiff, landlords can enter a tenant's home, seize his goods, and sell them at knock-down prices. More than 100,000 times last year they did so!

Thousands of these cases were the direct result of the 1938 "decontrol," which merely gave licence to many property owners to charge what they pleased.

Caught between the housing shortage on the one hand and the bandit demands of the owner on the other, the unfortunate tenant had to submit to an increase in rent which led first to debt and then to the arrival of bailiffs and the seizure of furniture.

ENDLESS abuses and gross tyranny have arisen through the use by landlords of their unique powers.

Recently, in Sunderland, a family was distrained upon for £1 12s. 6d. arrears of rent. The landlord refused to have the debt wiped off in small instalments. Instead the bailiff came in and took away £35 worth of new furniture.

The bailiff gave the tenants false information about the place where their furniture was to be sold. Later he sent for them and told them that it had been sold for £5 in a saleroom in another district.

He then handed the wife 5s. 6d., being the amount left over after the rent debt—plus the bailiff's "levy" of five days at 5s. a day and certain legal costs—had been deducted.

Thus the home of these poor people has been pillaged for a debt of £1 12s. 6d.

JOHN BULL's dossiers are packed with such cases. "Sack and pillage" is a mild term to use about the tactics of heartless landlords, assisted by their allies the "broker's men."

No Court in the land would allow a distraint order for a debt of such size and in like circumstances. But the landlord is above Courts where his debts are concerned.

IN many districts, especially in the industrial North, where huge blocks of working-class property have been acquired by syndicates, the landlord's powers of immediate distress are used as a money-extorting machine.

AND A REALLY SINISTER DEVELOPMENT IS THE WAY IN WHICH BAILIFFS IN THESE AREAS ARE ABUSING THEIR POWERS AND OVERSTEPPING THE LIMITS OF THE LAW.

● Victims of distraint. Their furniture is seized. It may be sold at knock-down prices

A highly profitable and illegal racket has developed in what is called "walking possession." The bailiff simply walks in and dumps a warrant on the table. Sometimes he writes in the names of two or three near-by articles, thus seizing them "in the name of the whole."

Then he walks out. While the debt remains unpaid, his levy goes on at the rate of 5s. or more a day.

This practice rests on the fact that few people care to have a "man in possession" about the house. But it has been held not to comply with the law.

In districts where landlords are sufficiently ruthless in distraints, it is quite easy for the bailiff to serve a score or more warrants a day. Which makes it a lucrative business for him.

Without Fear or Favour

A further development is the racketeering in furniture and goods seized under distress.

A Lancashire Tenants' Association recently "followed up" goods which had been seized by one bailiff in half a dozen distraints.

It found that all the furniture went to a certain saleroom where the dealers were in a "ring." The goods were knocked down at ridiculous prices.

A SUITE of furniture which was nearly new fetched 25s. A piano, also in excellent condition, sold for £1. A dining table and four chairs went for 17s.—and so on.

The bailiff did not care. Even at these ridiculous prices, he had seized enough to pay his levy costs and the small sum owing.

On three occasions during the past year, in Birmingham and other provincial Courts, bailiffs have had their licences cancelled and been fined. Their offence was distrainting when they knew the goods were not sufficient to cover the costs of levying the distress, or removing goods grossly in excess of the debt owing.

For the latter offence a bailiff can be fined three times the value of the goods seized. But for one case which comes into Court a hundred do not. Very few poor tenants are aware of their protection in this respect.

In any case, the principle is very difficult to apply, for nobody has yet defined what is a "grossly excessive" seizure.



The total of 118,000 distress warrants served last year is nearly twice the average for pre-war years.

This increase in business for the broker's man is not due to any rise in poverty, but to the changed relations between landlord and tenant.

In the past, a genuinely hard-up tenant could generally get lenient treatment from the small property owner.

But the small owner is disappearing. His place has been taken by property trusts and syndicates, which are concerned only with getting the maximum rents in the minimum time, and with running a rent-roll from hundreds of miles away.

The human element does not matter to them.

It is monstrous that these antiquated powers of distress should be left in the hands of such people, and that for the sake of a few shillings arrears homes should be plundered and scattered.

THE ONLY WAY TO END THIS TYRANNY IS FOR THE GOVERNMENT TO PLACE ALL DEBTOR RENT QUESTIONS TO THE JURISDICTION OF THE COURTS.

IT IS PLAIN JUSTICE THAT THE LANDLORD SHOULD BE ON THE SAME FOOTING AS ANY OTHER CREDITOR.

And it is the only way to secure justice for the many thousands of poor tenants.

WITHIN the last year or so householders have begun to realise that, united, they can be strong. More than a score of rent strikes are now going on in different parts of the country. In the London area alone, nearly 50,000 tenants are involved.

Banded together in Tenants' Associations, they are beginning to acquire formidable power—enough, anyway, to depose a Government which will not help them.

The Government, then, will be wise in its own interests as well as the nation's to set about a complete and immediate reform of all our crazy rent regulations—but particularly those dealing with the despicable business of Distraint.

Voice of the People

- **Air Raids—But Business as Usual**
- **Should Babies Go to the Dogs?**
- **Luck of the Penderels**
- **Trick Photography in Street Fraud**

We are exaggerating the horrors of a future war, and I don't think it fair to old people and invalids that we should do so.

I have some little knowledge of war conditions in Spain and China and would emphasise that war even at its worst leaves the majority of the civilian population physically unharmed.

Vast areas go untouched and millions of people go about their daily life not knowing that there is a war on.

Somehow, I can't imagine an enemy air fleet chasing me up and down quiet country lanes.—H. J. Reynolds, 1, Central Buildings, London, S.W.1.

True, no enemy could exterminate us—or get anywhere near to doing so. What an enemy would try to do, however, would be to smash the nation's morale with one lightning stroke in the first few days, and preparedness alone could defeat that plan.

Track Playgrounds

Seeing that 23,000,000 people attended greyhound meetings last season, surely the sport could afford to lose a few patrons.

Why, therefore, shouldn't they refuse

to admit babies—which would mean refusing people who bring babies.

To see people dragging young infants round among bustling racing crowds at ten at night is not edifying, to say the least.—Robert F. Hammond, Cicely Road, London, S.E.15.

Some of the biggest tracks now have playgrounds for children. Nevertheless, babies are to be seen on tracks as late as ten at night, which seems wrong to us.

Old Days' Pension

I have seen a photograph of a man in Massachusetts who draws a pension of £15 a year from the British Government because one of his ancestors helped Charles II to escape from England to France.

All hereditary pensions are absurd, so why not stop them?—John Miller, 134, Burghhead Drive, Linthouse, Glasgow, S.W.1.

Many descendants of Richard Penderel, who hid Charles II in the Boscobel Oak, still draw British Government pensions from £60 to £100 a year. Other countries, too, pay hereditary pensions—France for help given Napoleon. Mexico recently stopped pensions going back to 1520!

Who Says He Can't?

Glad you published letter of that young fellow who can't get into the Services because of one hammer-toe.

Because I had two toes amputated in an accident twelve years ago I have been rejected five times, the last time recently. Excuse: "You'd never be able to walk far."

And I've not only walked from one side of the country to the other, but

No Place Like Home



Does this look like a nest to you?

It did to a pigeon which saw it through the window of the battery room of a S.E. London cinema.

It crawled through a hole in a pane of glass and, despite the fact that the carboy contained acid, laid its eggs in what it must have regarded as the world's biggest bird's nest, where it now sits awaiting a happy event.—A. D. Usher, Manor Drive, Worcester Park, Surrey.



Not content with building its nest behind the brake lever of a coal truck, a blackbird actually sat on the nest throughout a sixteen miles' journey.

After a lot of shunting at Cadexton it laid another egg and kept on with its hatching.

Not until a party of excited railwaymen stood round her with bulging eyes—I was one of them—did Black Bess decide to give up her job.—E. E. Hewins, 23, Spring Street, Cadexton, Barry.

from one end to the other as well.—Joseph Young, 57, Kent Street, Liverpool, 1.

Opinion of a prominent orthopaedic surgeon: "A corn can handicap a man more than some of the impediments for which men are rejected by the Army."

Lot in a Name

When I passed a home for malformed children the other day I noticed over each of the two entrances, in staring white letters three inches high, the words "Physically Deformed."

Surely the burden of deformity is sufficient reminder to those poor youngsters without such cruel tactlessness, unintentional though it probably is.—

Norman T. Kingsman, 83, Eastway, Hackney Wick, London, E.

We know cases where institutions for mental deficiency, epilepsy, inebriety, etc., have had their names in full on crockery and cutlery. Patients can never escape from it. It is often thoughtlessness—but that doesn't excuse it.

Bird's-eye Views

Was the R.A.F. pilot pulling our leg when he told us, during the recent Air Day display, that he had seen the coast of France while flying over London?—M. C., Melton Mowbray.

Pilots making south from Croydon see the Channel as soon as they have reached 2,000-3,000 feet if visibility is good enough. Theoretically, one should be able to see 29½ miles from 500 feet, 22½ miles from 1,000 feet, 96 miles from one mile high.

... And the Builder's

I took a builder friend high up over the Sussex Downs to Chancetonbury Ring and waved my arm towards the most wonderful vista of country in Britain.

He seemed to be struggling to speak. I thought: "Now for his appreciation." It came, all right. "My heavens," he said, "what beautiful sites."—Miss A. M. Humphrey, 55, Wilbury Avenue, Hove, Sussex.

Drawing a Blank

Summertime visitors to London—beware the new street photography trick.

You are snapped with some famous landmark as the background. Immediately you are handed an envelope supposed to contain the negative, for which you are asked to pay a shilling.

You are told not to open the envelope for three hours, as the negative is developing inside, and opening it too soon will ruin it.

But whenever you open it, all you find is a piece of blank film.—T. Morrison, 97, Great Titchfield Street, London, W.

Do you know how many street photography tricks there are to beware of? With this one, eleven.

● We want to know what you are thinking about, what you've seen or done. So write to "Voice of the People," 93, Long Acre, London, W.C.2. We pay 10s. 6d. for each letter published and an extra 10s. 6d. if we use your own drawing or photograph illustrating the letter.

Tavistock

Let's Be CONSTRUCTIVE About PEACE

From the Marquess of Tavistock

It is an unfortunate fact that from the end of the Great War up to the present time a series of British Governments has done absolutely nothing of practical value to earn the good will of the peoples of Germany and Italy.

During the time when Germany was disarmed we did nothing to relieve her great economic distress, nor did we observe what was virtually a promise to disarm down to her level.

Mr. Chamberlain's visit to Munich raised great hopes, but these were quickly dashed by the negative policy of rearmament pursued without alternative action, immediately after his return.

In the Prime Minister's opinion the time never seems to be right to do the bold, friendly, constructive thing, so we continue to drift along the old, bad road that ends in war.

World Talk

What could be done now? Well, in the first place we could call a "World Economic Conference" with terms of reference which would give it a chance of achieving results denied to its predecessor of unhappy memory.

Such a conference should meet to consider the following points:

Removal of trade barriers.
Relief of countries like Italy which, even if they disarmed, could neither produce for themselves nor import in exchange for their rather limited and unacceptable exports all the goods they require.

Development of the world's resources as they were when the financial system was the servant of industry instead of being its master.

Everything morally right and physically possible can and should also be made financially possible.

That is a slogan worth pondering over. And, to the shame of the "Democratic" countries be it said, it is not in Totalitarian States that the acceptance of this wise maxim would meet with most opposition.

Unfortunately, however, grave obstacles stand in the way of summoning such a conference.

They are to be found mainly in the three great democratic countries, Britain, France and America, and not in the Totalitarian countries.

The causes which at present hinder our Government from proposing a conference which might be of such infinite benefit to the cause of world peace are identical with those which render it powerless to remove the scandal of the Distressed Areas.

The same causes explain its inability to supply all the necessities of life to millions of our under-nourished poor; or put an end to a state of affairs where every important industry (with the exception of the armament firms!) is working much below maximum capacity.

They have nothing to do with lack of labour, plant, raw material or will to increase output, but lack of purchasing power in consumers' pockets.

It would be easy to solve the economic needs of countries less fortunately

situated than ourselves and thereby to remove from them the temptation to take by force, or threat of force, what they are denied through more peaceable channels.

But the grim tyranny of Finance says "No!"

Finance, as we have seen of recent years, allows new money to be made and poured out like water, in the democratic countries, to finance the creation of instruments of destruction alone.

How Long?

If money be needed for constructive purposes and for the relief of poverty, what howls of protest at once go up!

Lying propaganda about national extravagance is poured out on every hand, and timid and ignorant politicians are made to tremble!

How long shall these things be?

The Government is active enough in devising various forms of National Service for others, why not a spot of National Service by itself for a change?

Is it too much to hope that we may yet see a more constructive policy of international peace-making rather than a mere repetition of those military alliances which, in the past, have never produced anything but war?

MEET THE B.B.Bs. (Balloon Barrage Boys)

A JOHN BULL representative has been sent out to talk with the men responsible for Britain's defences and find out what they are doing. Here is the second of his reports.

DURING the week he manages a London bank. Cashiers, clerks and customers pay him due deference.

Regularly he used to spend week-ends trying to bring a golf handicap out of the teens.

But all that is changed now. Instead, he helps to manage a barrage balloon.

He is an auxiliary aircraftman, first class, and very proud of the fact that he has just qualified as a balloon rigger.

So when called up this summer for his month's full-time service under the Reserve and Auxiliary Forces Act he will draw 3s. 9d. a day pay—which, after all, is not bad going for a bank manager aged forty-three.

There must be something specially attractive to bank managers about balloons. There are four of them in one of the barrage squadrons.

"We have all sorts here, from company directors to navvies," the squadron sergeant-major told me, "and at least a dozen solicitors."

It is remarkable how the balloon barrage has drawn men of every class to work side by side in the best of good comradeship.

They come from all parts of suburban London and the Home Counties. Two actually travel up to London from Devon for practice each Sunday. There's keenness for you.

Half the men own their motor cars. They give the others lifts to the Centres, for "Help your pals" is the barrage motto.

AND the men live up to that motto. If an aircraftman of a balloon barrage squadron loses his job through no fault of his own, he is fairly certain to be offered another straight away through the influence of some of his more fortunate colleagues.

That applies not only to London squadrons, but to those throughout the country.

This good fellowship is bound to be strengthened as the men of the ten London squadrons go in batches to their "war" stations, and the protective curtain of balloons is flown continuously.

"Deployment" of the London barrage began last week. One in every four of the men started a month's hard training.

DURING THE NEXT THREE MONTHS THE BEST WILL FOLLOW UNTIL THE FULL STRENGTH OF OFFICERS AND MEN HAVE HAD EXPERIENCE OF REGULAR SERVICE CONDITIONS. THEY WILL BE IN EXACTLY THE SAME POSITION AS THE ARMY TERRITORIAL AIR DEFENCE UNITS.

In due course there will be similar calling out affecting the provincial balloon squadrons, which guard vulnerable cities and areas all the way from Plymouth to Glasgow.

We shall all get used to seeing

London and the big provincial towns will be guarded by these balloons. Each costs £500, is manned by a team of ten men

hundreds of their silver balloons floating thousands of feet up in the sky and tugging at the steel cable moorings.

These balloons will be dotted round the outer fringe of London. And an adequate reserve supply is stored away.

Each costs about £500, with another £1,000 for its transport and winch equipment. The barrage must be completely mobile, ready to go from this position to that to counter possible attacks.

Visiting the squadrons at Stanmore, which are typical of all the others, I was shown lines and lines of balloon and winch vehicles parked in vast covered sheds.

Every lorry has its own direct exit. At the call the balloon barrage boys can turn out as quickly as the London Fire Brigade, and remember they are only part-time aircraftmen.

A balloon is operated by a team of ten auxiliary aircraftmen under a regular N.C.O. They travel on the first lorry, which tows the winding-gear lorry with a separate motor engine, and behind a trailer loaded with hydrogen gas cylinders.

The balloon itself, though it weighs more than 550 lb., is carried packed in a valise which measures no more than three feet square by four feet.

BELIEVE me, managing a barrage balloon needs a great deal of skill and technique.

There is a note in the official conditions of entry to the service which says that a candidate "must be of fair muscular development and able to undergo a considerable degree of physical exertion of a nature not involving severe strain."

Watch a team of middle-aged men of normal sedentary occupation hanging on to the guide ropes of a

spirited balloon, and you will realise how those "fair muscles" can be made to ache.

The team works "by numbers"—like the crew of an anti-aircraft gun—and "at the double." Each one has his allotted task in the unpacking, the filling process and the holding down.

At first the lift of the balloon must be rigidly controlled. Not until "she"—balloons are all feminine and need a firm hand—is well clear of the ground is she allowed to ascend of her own accord. Even then the speed of ascent must be regulated by the winding gear.

The men on the winch must not let their attention stray for a second. **HOW QUICKLY CAN ALL THIS COMPLICATED, DELICATE BUSINESS BE DONE? I WAS TOLD THAT A GOOD TEAM WILL HAVE A BALLOON FILLED AND READY TO GO UP IN HALF AN HOUR.**

NOW what are these balloons for? Many people do not understand their functions.

They watch squadrons practising with balloons flying at comparatively low heights, and say: "I don't see that they would be much good against an air raid."

Well, the truth is that they and the civilian aircraftmen who work them will do a great deal of good.

If ever they are needed for actual defence, the balloons will be flown in staggered formation at varying heights.

They will drive up the bombers. Low bombing means hitting vital objectives, and it dislocates effective ground firing.

With a fast, low-flying bomber the angle of sight at the gun is changing too rapidly for much success. Our multiple pom-poms are most effective, but the 3.7 and 4.5 anti-aircraft gun batteries need a high target.

So that is where the balloon barrage comes in. It keeps the bombing raiders and their fighter 'plane guard high up. If they dare to fly low, the chances are they may be caught in the steel cables.

More important still is the aid which the barrage is intended to give to our fighter squadrons.

Above England in ordinary weather are several cloud layers at varying heights. Bombers can slip from one cloud bank to another, and hide as they approach their objectives.

BUT if they are driven above the clouds then the defence "fighters have a much smaller and easier sky area to search.

The barrage men will see they are driven up. Their balloons, dotted in and about London and provincial cities, will pretty well regulate the attackers' height.

Even in the daytime the balloons will be difficult for an enemy to see. Their silver streamlined shapes will be shrouded in clouds.

At night they will be deadly, for attackers will never know when they may be flying into destruction. The moral effect of this uncertainty is tremendous.

This was proved during the war with the very limited balloon apron flown on the north-east side of London.

Well, that's the National Service these balloon men are learning to do.

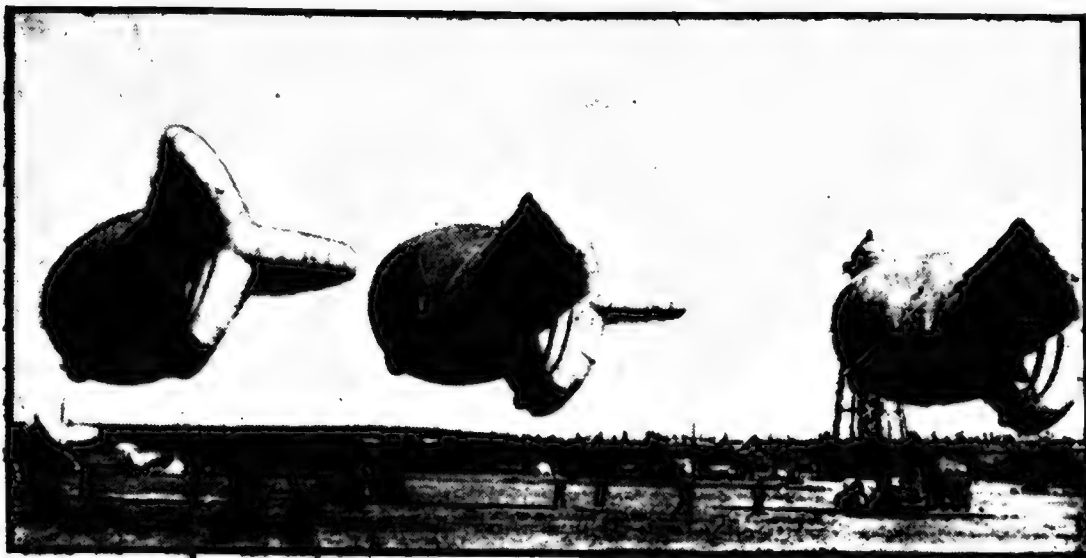
WE should be grateful for their enthusiasm. Bankers, company directors, actors and professional men are giving up the whole of their spare time to become proficient.

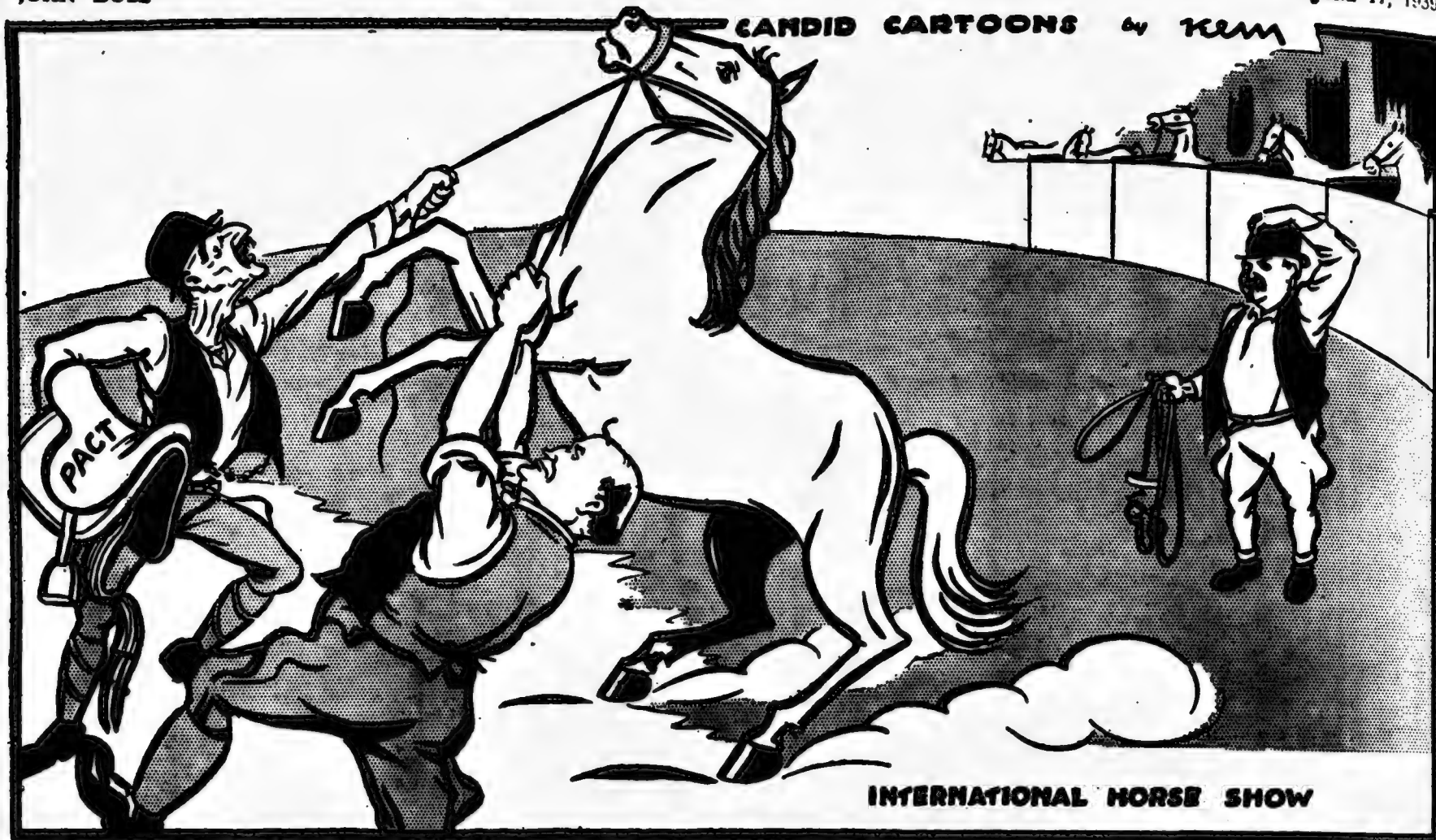
There are nearly 22,000 of them, belonging to the different squadrons in Britain.

Most of the units are up to establishment, although this newest of all branches of national defence has only just passed its first birthday.

The only districts which have lagged in recruiting are Birmingham, Warrington, Bristol, Plymouth, Hampshire and Yorkshire.

If the men in those places between 25-50 with "fair muscular development" realised what good fun there was with the balloons, there would be no shortage of volunteers.





INTERNATIONAL HORSE SHOW

Professor J. C. DRUMMOND,
University of London

DEAR PROFESSOR,—No one can doubt that our people are better fed now than ever before.

Yet we have no cause for complacency.

So often have I to report examples of malnutrition that you would think even the most callous of well-fed officials would be sick at heart.

Now appears your monumental history of British food, in which you agree with Sir John Orr and other experts that more than one-third of the population is still under-nourished.

In some cases, doubtless, the trouble is not lack of food but the choice of poor foods. Generally, however, poverty is to blame.

Britain is prosperous. Food is abundant. Artificial famine for the poor

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could be avoided if our rulers saw that our immense resources were fully harnessed and properly distributed.

There are great works on which the workless could be employed.

There is public agreement that rotten employers should be prevented from paying semi-starvation wages.

There are millions of idle acres which could produce even greater crops than those which now fill our markets.

Let these things be done and our people will become the healthiest in the world.—JOHN BULL.

With three other men—one a retired major—you were duped by a rascal who promised vast profits in a bogus dope-running business.

Mr. Justice Charles has described you and your associates as dishonest blackguards. I will merely add the wish that the publicity given to your case will induce you to rid the country of your presence.—JOHN BULL.

Sir GODFREY BARING, Bt.,
Chairman, Lifeboat Institution

DEAR SIR,—I am relieved to hear that your society is guaranteeing a new lifeboat, with its house and slipway, to replace the boat lost in the St. Ives disaster.

No one can object to your stipulation that the harbour must be improved by building a breakwater—as was recommended a century ago.

Unless this is done, every Cornishman will want to know the reason why.—JOHN BULL.

The MEMBERS,
Bucks County Council

GENTLEMEN,—One road in your area has been opened up on fifty-two occasions in the last seven years; I suspect that the average is quite as bad in many other districts.

Traffic dislocation and public inconvenience appear to be the last consideration of those who are allowed to tear up our streets.

Maybe this irritating stupidity will be ended by the Parliamentary committee whose report is now awaited.

But I wager that report won't appear until the annual road-up season has ended!—JOHN BULL.

Mr. R. COPPOCK,
Builders' Union Chief

DEAR MR. COPPOCK,—You must be tired of reading War Office advertisements for builders—"long hours, Saturday and Sunday working; overtime rates"—seeing that there are a hundred thousand builders unemployed.

Perhaps it hasn't occurred to the War Office that most of these men could be absorbed if overtime were cut.—JOHN BULL.

Sir EVELYN MURRAY,
Chairman, Board of Customs

DEAR SIR,—In several districts there is an outbreak of that insidious and horrible vice—methylated spirit drinking.

I am glad, therefore, that a City of London firm of chemists has been fined £20 for selling a preparation containing nearly 50 per cent. of the spirit; but I hope that the authorities will spare no effort to round up other offenders.

You will agree, I am sure, that a few impositions of the full penalty of £100 would soon check the evil.—JOHN BULL.

Rt. Hon. Sir S. HOARE,
Home Secretary

DEAR SIR,—Here is a story that will surely horrify you:

A lad of seventeen cleverly obtained by fraud seven photographic articles. A detective said he had a good home, but gave up all his wages of 17s. to his mother and had no pocket-money. So, because he knew his parents could not afford to buy him clothes, he stole.

Despite the good character given to him by his employers, the Westminster magistrate sent him to jail for six months.

Because I know how strongly you oppose the jailing of youthful first offenders, I expect you to release that boy at once.—JOHN BULL.

Sergeant Wm. HEGAN,
British Embassy, Berlin

DEAR SERGEANT,—The tomfool questions some M.P.s ask!

One ultra-patriot even wants to know if you received official permission to wear a medal awarded to you by Herr Hitler for saving a German from drowning at the risk of your own life.

Go on wearing that medal, William. Humanity should know no frontiers, and you should be as proud of rescuing a German as if you had saved—an M.P.—JOHN BULL.

Rt. Hon. WALTER ELLIOT, M.P.,
Minister of Health

DEAR SIR,—In many places, young people have to delay marriage for three or four years because they cannot find a home.

Now, in its eleventh housing scheme, Welwyn Garden City is reserving fifty houses for young newlyweds.

Pass on the idea to other authorities!—JOHN BULL.

Mr. A. T. LENNOX-BOYD, M.P.,
Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Labour

DEAR SIR,—It is a damnable denial of democracy that the unemployed are to be subjected to new regulations that Parliament will not be able to amend.

Once you used to quote from the Lord Chief Justice's book, "The New Despotism," which attacks such arrant bureaucracy. But that was before you became a Minister.

You would prove yourself a better administrator if you re-read that warning and devoted five minutes a day to pondering on the already swollen powers of Ministers and their underlings.—JOHN BULL.

Mr. J. G. M. HEADLAND,
Company Director, Chellenham

SIR,—A pity you have not been swindled of more than £1,120. Indeed, I regret that you are not reduced to poverty.

A. G. G. Studies the Present Calm that has Descended on Europe. Whose Move Next?

COMPARATIVE calm has fallen upon the European scene, but it will lead no one to suppose that the danger is past. It is only the ominous pause between the acts.

There came such a pause between the seizure of Austria and the disruption of Czechoslovakia, and again between the disruption of Czechoslovakia and the seizure of Prague.

In the midst of a third breathing space, the world awaits the next spring of the tiger.

When? Where? Before the harvest or after the harvest?

Eastward or westward, Poland or the Baltic States, south-eastward to Rumania, or a sudden swoop to the Atlantic seaboard and the Straits by way of the low countries?

Or it may be that he will use his creature Mussolini to apply the match, if only to secure that Italy does not elude his grasp.

WE DO NOT KNOW. IT MAY BE THAT HITLER HIMSELF DOES NOT YET KNOW.

His technique is a masterly exploitation of the moment. He keeps all the world guessing and awaits the hour when the blow is least expected and least prepared for it.

If you would understand the diabolical subtlety and ruthlessness of his methods, read Heiden's "One Man Against Europe," by far the most startling revelation of the mind, motives and technique of this remarkable man.

In attempting to forecast the next stroke, two things are significant.

One is the intensity of Hitler's propaganda directed to alarming and inflaming the German people.

He has scornfully discarded all the occasional pacific pretence with which he has in the past masked his designs. He preaches the glory of war as the only destiny of his people.

It will be time to talk about peace "when one man has conquered the world."

All morality is dismissed from international relations as irrelevant.

In his speech to the German legionaries from Spain, he openly boasted that for two years he lied to his people and to the world about his part in the Spanish Civil War.

IN a word, he is not only a liar, but he rejoices in proclaiming himself a liar.

So he lied to Austria on the eve of his invasion of that country. So he lied to Benes on the eve of his attack on Czechoslovakia.

But his lies to his own people have a special purpose. They are intended to inflame them with the war spirit and the fear of "encirclement."

A more grotesque inversion of the fact was never conceived.

It is true that Germany is geographically encircled, as she has always been, and as most countries are. But her military encirclement to-day is all of Hitler's own making.

His book, which is the new Bible of Pagan Germany, is a sustained declaration of war on Europe and the world of freedom.

His acts have implemented that menace. It was not until he had seized Austria, encircled Czechoslovakia, annexed that country in defiance of his own solemn undertakings at Munich, and proceeded to encircle Poland that Europe awoke to that danger and formed its Peace Front against aggression.

And that front, due directly to the brutal reign of terror which Hitler has set up in Europe, is now impudently represented to the German people as "encirclement."

And the lie is believed because the liar controls every channel of communication to the German people—

through the muzzled Press, the radio, the platform.

Hitler's own devilish doctrine of the power of propaganda, that through it you can make the people "believe anything, that Heaven is Hell and Hell Heaven," is exploited to the maximum.

It is exploited so successfully that even that other half of Germany which hates the Hitler tyranny is being roped into his fell purpose.

I come to the other outstanding feature of his propaganda to-day. It is all concentrated against this country.

NO HEAD OF A GREAT STATE IN HISTORY HAS BLACKGUARDED ANOTHER GREAT STATE WITH WHOM IT IS ON TERMS OF PEACE AS HITLER HAS BLACKGUARDED THIS COUNTRY IN HIS TWO RECENT SPEECHES.

We are, he says, "thieves." We are "blackmailers." We are the criminal Power who are organising the "encirclement" of innocent Germany.

If war comes, it is this country which will have willed it.

WE, whose record is that for four years our Government remained shamefully asleep while Hitler was creating the tremendous war engine with which he menaces Europe to-day, while we accepted his lies about Spain and while we drank in his assurances of peaceful intentions towards Austria and Czechoslovakia—WE are the criminals who are conspiring to plunge Europe in blood and to wreck civilisation.

I shall not waste words in refuting such transparent falsehoods.

NOR can I pretend to explain the meaning of this concentration of Hitler's fire on this country, coupled with the significant silence about France and Russia.

It may be that he is seeking to destroy the legend in Germany of Mr. Chamberlain as the missionary of peace.

It may be that he still hopes to upset the Peace Front and to isolate us as the general enemy. I do not know.

But the fact, whatever it means, is important.

A. G. G. says that the Peace powers must bring all nations round the conference table. And, as the Pope (right) declared last week, there is "greater hope that governments will be induced to conquer the obstacles to a sincere and secure understanding."



The Question Everyone Is Asking

Let us turn to the other aspect of this ominous calm between the acts. I mean the uses to which we should put it.

One thing we may take for certain. In the interval since Munich and still more since Prague the situation has been revolutionised.

The Peace Front is in being and the balance of forces—even allowing for Spain and Czechoslovakia—has been redressed.

FOR the world is no longer scurrying before the dictators like scared rabbits.

Every day our defensive strength grows and the danger of the knock-out blow diminishes.

Every day the imponderable forces which would be ours in the event of a long war—I mean the sympathies of the United States and of all lovers of freedom throughout the world—become more apparent.

What else remains to be done? One obvious thing is the strengthening of the executive.

Nothing has been done in this direction since the period of appeasement and scuttle ended except the excellent appointments of Lord Chatfield and Sir John Anderson.

Lord Stanhope is still at the head of the Admiralty, and a man of genius and action like Mr. Churchill and great administrators like Sir Arthur Salter are still out in the cold.

Have we to wait for a war before the nation, tired of the "Yes" men with whom Mr. Chamberlain loves to surround himself, can be served by the best brains at our command?

There is another thing that should be done without a day's delay.

The war of propaganda which

Hitler and Mussolini have been allowed to wage almost unchallenged must be combated, especially in Germany itself.

WE NEED A MINISTRY OF INFORMATION TO COUNTER THE AVALANCHE OF LIES THAT ISSUES FROM THE GOEBBELS FACTORY AND SPREADS ITS POISON THROUGH EVERY LAND.

Millions are being spent to drill the slander about this country and the myth of "encirclement" into the mind of the world, and especially of Germany.

This infection must be stayed.

I can imagine no activity more calculated to strengthen the Peace Front and avert war than a worldwide nailing of the Goebbels lies to the counter.

AT the same time it must be made clear that, while the Peace Powers will resist aggression at all costs, their own purpose is to stop the armaments race and bring all the nations round the Conference table.

The need for a Ministry of Information is urgent.

I think the man for the job is as apparent as the need. My only reason for not mentioning his name is that it would probably destroy any hope of his appointment.

"Summer Pie" is Coming!

"Summer Pie," the grandest feast of holiday reading ever offered for 6d., will be on sale on June 28.

There are 100 pages of brilliant fun and fiction, the best work of over fifty famous authors and artists.

By buying a copy of "Summer Pie" you will do a good turn for others, too. All profits will go to deserving charities.

Sir WYNDHAM CHILDS' WEEKLY WARNINGS

"Lets" Houses— Vanishes

BEWARE the Bungalow Man. He's on the run again now, but it is more than likely he will try to repeat his favourite trick which he has just worked successfully from Bristol.

His real name is believed to be J. Manning Thomas, but he has a number of aliases and as many mythical bungalows to let for the holidays.

His ruse is to collect £2 deposits, more if he can, for bookings and then vanish from wherever he has been posing as a member of a firm of estate agents.

At Bristol he blossomed out as Norman, Rogers and Company, of St. James' Square.

One of his advertisements appeared recently in a Birmingham paper.

Furnished bungalows were offered and one reader who replied was visited by a man who said he was a representative of the firm.

The deposit of £2 was obtained for a booking in August of a bungalow near Torquay.

Later a letter from Norman, Rogers and Company, Bristol, and signed by J. Manning Thomas, confirmed the reservation of what was described as "property 108/55."

A request for the exact address was ignored and further enquiries revealed that Thomas and his make-believe company had gone.

Since then there have been many enquiries at the address.

Before going to Bristol, Thomas, then calling himself Rogers and Company, had duped people in the same way from an office in Derby. Then the bungalows were stated to be at Clacton-on-Sea.

Thomas is tall and smart. He has been the cause of many complaints to the police.

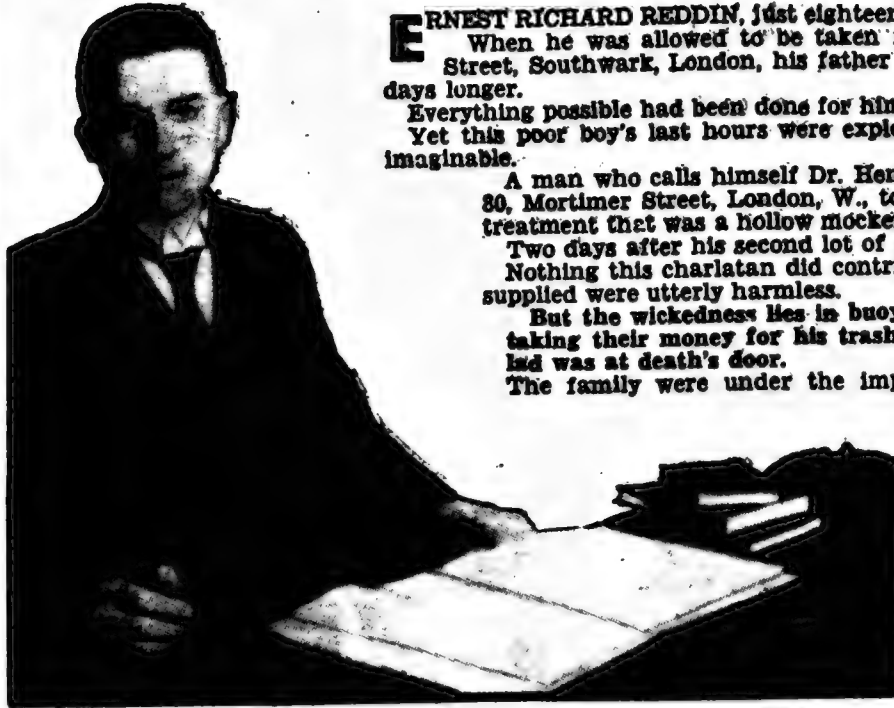
Public Benefactor

Mr. S. E. Felstead, of 27, Warwick Street, Woolwich, London, S.E.18, has been awarded this week's £1 ls.

He supplied me with printed matter which helped my enquiries about a number of spoofers working in collusion from different addresses.

Mark your envelopes: Public Benefactor.

QUACK EXPLOITS DYING BOY



How dare this man, Henry Gilbert, with no semblance of a degree recognised in this country, set himself up in a way which is calculated to give the impression that he is a qualified medical man?

ERNEST RICHARD REDDIN, just eighteen years old, was doomed to die. When he was allowed to be taken from hospital to his home in Milcote Street, Southwark, London, his father was told that he could not live many days longer.

Everything possible had been done for him, but tuberculosis had conquered. Yet this poor boy's last hours were exploited by the most shameless quackery imaginable.

A man who calls himself Dr. Henry Gilbert, of the Bio-Chemic Centre, 80, Mortimer Street, London, W., took £15 15s. from Reddin's family for treatment that was a hollow mockery.

Two days after his second lot of pills and powder arrived the boy died. Nothing this charlatan did contributed to his death. All the nostrums supplied were utterly harmless.

But the wickedness lies in buoying up the hopes of the relatives and taking their money for his trash when he must have known that the lad was at death's door.

The family were under the impression that Gilbert was a qualified medical man when they sought his aid.

It was a shock to them when they later discovered that he holds no medical degree recognised in this country or anywhere else apparently.

When Reddin's two brothers saw him in his consulting room in Mortimer Street they told him all the facts about their brother's illness and how he had been sent home as incurable.

Gilbert, however, said he thought there was a chance of recovery.

It was not, he said, necessary for him to see the patient. He could prescribe on what he had been told!

Two bottles of pills were handed over and "Dr." Gilbert took his fee of £5 5s.

As the boy did not improve the brothers returned in two days and asked the "Doctor" if he would go along to see him.

He said his fee would be £10 10s. This was readily agreed to.

So Gilbert went to Milcote Street.

He was in the house only a short time, and he again said that he thought the boy had a chance of getting better.

Some more pills, powder, and a paint were sent from Grantham, where Gilbert has a laboratory.

I have had all these things analysed. Some of the tablets consisted largely of sugar of milk (lactose) and others of cane sugar (sucrose).

Sugar of milk comprised also 90 per cent. of the powder, the balance being mineral matter (ash).

Beyond the small quantity of ash in the powder, there were no mineral salts having medicinal properties or any vegetable substances possessing marked therapeutic qualities.

The paint was largely glycerine with some vegetable extract.

And this was the treatment given to a person in the last stages of consumption!

The man who had the gross impudence to give it—and charge £15 15s.—refers in his latest booklet to a "Gateway through which thousands of sufferers are passing from disease and despair to healing and joyful health."

Bio-chemistry, of course, is a serious science which, in the hands of qualified doctors and chemists, can be a tremendously useful aid.

THAT IS A VERY DIFFERENT MATTER TO THE PONPOUS SHOWMANSHIP AND QUACKERY OF THIS FEE-GRABBER, HENRY GILBERT.

Letters he uses after his name include "D.B.Ch." If that signifies any degree, it is not known in this country. Other letters, "M.B.S." and "M.B.A." mean nothing.

There is an organisation known as The Biochemical Society, formed by professional men solely for the advancement of the science and not to market remedies. Its members do not use distinguishing letters after their names.

Anyway, Gilbert has never been a member of this Society.

It is disgraceful that there is not a clean-cut law to stop quacks calling themselves Dr. So-and-So.

A Charming New Woman Raffles

RATHER sad-looking but attractive, a young woman, known to the police by many names, is the newest female Raffles.

She is carrying out nearly all her clever robberies while viewing furnished houses and flats that are to let.

Plausible, and seeming the last person in the world you would distrust, she often manages to go alone to houses whose owners are away.

But even if someone from an agent's office goes with her, she still contrives to steal articles of value.

"Gladys Pearson. . . Agnes West . . . Maude Thompson and Eve Reade" are a few of the assumed names she uses.

When she made a big haul in Surrey recently she posed as a widow who had just returned from the South of France.

Her husband, she said, had died after a motor accident, and she now wished to live near London.

She drove her own smart car and many of the houses she visited were in the neighbourhood of Epsom and Dorking.

Her master touch is always to appear eagerly interested in every detail of the houses or flats she sees.

In nearly every instance the agent concerned is left with the impression that the charming prospective tenant has found just what she wants!

It is known that jewellery, cheque-books, and in some cases clothes, have been taken from nearly forty houses she had viewed in a short time.

At Priton, in a single afternoon, she stole goods worth more than £60.

Three valuable rings and a watch missing from a house for which she negotiated at Folkestone have since been traced to a pawnshop.

By his description, the man who took them there is one of her known male confederates.

Miss Raffles moves quickly, so house agents all over the country should be on their guard.

She has been to jail three times for short spells. Her longest sentence was twelve months for swindling an elderly woman to whom she was acting as a companion.

Mr. L. Inskip's Work for Cripples

JOHN BULL, as all readers know, has fearlessly exposed bogus charities.

But we do not hesitate to admit it if we make a mistake.

Most unfortunately we wrongly criticised the charitable work of Mr. L. Inskip organised through his publication, the "Cripples' Journal."

After an investigation—invited by Mr. Inskip—of his records, we are satisfied that there was not and never has been any justification for the criticism published.

Mr. Inskip readily accepts our assurance that the source from which we obtained our information is one that is usually most reliable.

Mr. Inskip, himself a cripple, and his wife are more concerned lest injury be caused to those who have benefited from their life's work.

We have, therefore, set aside a sum of money which will be held in trust for the maintenance of Mr. and Mrs. Inskip's Home for Cripples at Calster-on-Sea.



Matthew Algernon Biggar

Sham Papal Fund

BOGUS letters from the Vatican are being used by the first flight of confidence-tricksters who have descended on London earlier than usual this year.

They were sprung on a victim in Paris, but the ground was laid in one of London's luxury hotels.

Members of a notorious gang, controlled by an Australian super-schemer named Matthew Algernon Biggar, induced an overseas visitor to join in plans for raising a big charity fund supposed to be sponsored by the Pope.

They cultivated the friendship of their victim in London and followed him to Paris.

A confederate they met there professed he had just been received by the Pope and the proposal made to the overseas visitor was that he should raise funds in his own country on a commission basis.

Then came the eternal ruse of inviting a cash deposit as a guarantee of good faith.

Fortunately for him, the dupe who had been marked down for big plunder had only about £100 with him. He lost that, of course, but he was lucky to escape so lightly.

It is only the beginning of what these astute rogues expect to be a bumper season in London.

Biggar himself dare not return here, because there is a warrant hanging over his head in connection with confidence frauds involving many thousands of pounds.

So he mapped out new tricks at his safe hiding-place in France and sent over some of his most charming henchmen.

Before Biggar fled to the Continent some time ago his gang obtained £10,000 from a New Zealander, who had been bluffed into believing that £60,000 could be won in a gambling syndicate.

Another man from abroad and a Ceylon tea-planter were hoodwinked in the same way and between them lost about £24,000.

Members of the "Biggar Gang" sent over to England this year are new, though most of them are known to the police on the Continent.

Scotland Yard was, therefore, able to look out for them, but they are the wildest crooks with whom the police have to deal, and they trade on the reluctance of their victims to face the publicity of a prosecution.

The Holiday Guide Racket Is Spreading.

Sir Wyndham Childs Declares—

DON'T LET THE BOGYMEN SCARE YOU

I THOUGHT I had sufficiently exposed, from time to time, the fraudulent activities of the travellers of certain firms who purport to publish advertisements in holiday guides. But I begin to doubt it.

Their activities are becoming more pronounced, and I quote from a letter I have just received:

"A gentleman called on my wife and glibly talked of the holiday-with-pay movement and said that millions would be taking holidays in the future and that, so he inferred, he would be able to recommend us to thousands of would-be holidaymakers. My wife signed a paper without reading it."

The methods of these scoundrels are always the same—"there will be nothing to pay unless you make a profit of at least £30 in the season... you will not have to pay until next August, and then only if your lettings have been satisfactory," and so on.

It is the old trick of the folded paper, or the elderly seaside landlady who cannot see without her glasses and does not happen to have them at the moment and is assured that "it is all right, it is only a matter of form."

And then the signature and then the bill and then the summons—and then that is where I come in.

Of course, every order and every contract contains a clause that no verbal agreement or undertaking can, in any circumstances, be accepted and the case seems hopeless. But it is not, if you write in time.

THE METHODS UTILISED IN THE ATTEMPTED RECOVERY OF THE DEBT ARE A STANDING DISGRACE TO ANY HONOURABLE BUSINESS FIRM.

This is a typical letter which has been sent out by the hundred to unfortunate victims.

"Unless I receive the amount within seven days from this date it will be handed to my solicitors with instructions to institute proceedings for the recovery thereof."

"I would inform you that I have recently instituted proceedings through the county court against advertisers for the same book in another town, and in every case the contract has been upheld as binding against advertisers, and judgment has been given in my favour."

This is intended to terrify and to coerce. The man who signs these letters knows perfectly well, or ought to know perfectly well, that a contract can be set aside if it is obtained by misrepresentation.

The letter is deliberately intended to deter unfortunate people from seeking the help and assistance of the county courts.

In due course there is a follow-up, and the extent to which fraud has been perpetrated by travellers will be realised when I disclose that one firm is employing no fewer than three different agents to collect their debts!

I quote from a letter, apparently produced on a duplicator, and of which I have already had thirty odd copies to "get on with."

"We have before us an order form signed by you from which it is perfectly clear that you are liable to pay this sum."

I agree that everybody is liable to pay for their folly in signing without reading, but that liability can either be enforced or excused by a county court judge.

The letter continues: "You will appreciate that if proceedings become necessary the costs will fall on you."

I consider it improper to coerce unfortunate people in order to anticipate the judgment of a court of law.

"... and it is therefore obvious, in your own interests, to make payment without the necessity of the issue of a summons," the letter goes on.

I don't at all agree. It is in the interests of hundreds of people who have written to me in time to defend all these cases.

New Carpet Camouflage

AN actual and imposing London address, where they are absolutely unknown, is the latest camouflage of one of the Persian carpet trick gangs.

After the advance touts had persuaded a farmer's wife, near Selby, Yorks, to buy two carpets at quite a reasonable price, along came the second-line man offering to buy them for £80.

Usual tale—he had heard the farmer's wife had these carpets and his firm was anxious to buy all they could find.

He explained he would return later to complete the deal and left a card on which was printed: "W. A. Christy, Buyer of Antique Furniture, 46, Finsbury Square, London, E.C.2."

Next day a letter purporting to come from the same address was received confirming the agreement and stating a representative would call with the cash.

It so happened that the original touts called again that day and the farmer's wife, thinking she would be able to sell them at the same price offered for the first two, bought more carpets!

Then as the man did not turn up with the £80 on the date arranged she wrote to "W. A. Christy" at the Finsbury Square address.

Back came the letter marked "Unknown."

And no wonder! I find that no one of that name has ever rented an office at the address.

Letters had been arriving for the last two months and the caretaker had returned all of them to the Post Office.

Marriage Wizard Turns to Dogs

DOG lovers throughout the country who read the advertisements of C. E. Wright, of Heaton, Newcastle-on-Tyne, must imagine that he owns extensive kennels.

"Beautiful litters of massive Newfoundland-St. Bernard crossed pups and Newfoundland Retrievers from 20s. carriage paid," reads one of his recent announcements.

The whole of his business, I find, is conducted from a small lock-up garage.

A Carlisle reader who located these "kennels" after many enquiries found there one small kennel and a few packing-cases.

First, Mr. Wright explained that all his dogs were boarded out and then said he had no dogs left. He had sold them all the preceding week.

A very different picture from that conjured up by Mr. Wright's flowery literature.

You would imagine he had large numbers of dogs always available. "Numerous litters. Airedale terriers and retrievers (all varieties) for guarding purposes and companionship. Adults and puppies always for sale."

But he always had a pretty touch for gilding his ventures.

Some years ago when he was running a matrimonial agency from the same address a similar boast of superlative service gleamed through his publication, "The Matrimonial Vanguard."

His "introductory fee" was £15 15s., and JOHN BULL warned lonely people against seeking partners in this way.

It is about seven years since this all-obliging matchmaker turned to dog selling.

He insists that cash must be sent with all orders, but though he flourishes a limited guarantee to replace dogs that prove unsatisfactory, complaints have been made from all over the country.

He's Back

WALTER TYSON, arch charity racketeer before he was sent to penal servitude for four years in 1935, is trying to slip back to his old pitch.

From 74, Parkhurst Road, London, N.7, he is sending out letters to various charities offering to make their appeals more successful!

Grand idea is that they should pay £4 3s. 4d. a thousand for lists of selected subscribers to charity appeals.

He proffers more than 9,000 names. Every reputable organisation will throw the letter in the wastepaper-basket, but in case bogus charities use the lists householders should check very carefully any appeals they receive.



Write to
JOHN BULL
about it!

AMAZING NEW RACKET EXPOSED

REFUGEES are now being smuggled into Britain on a wholesale scale; the traffic has become an illicit industry. Police and immigration officials are co-operating in an active campaign to check the scandal. But they are being defeated.

Undesirable aliens are entering England with forged passports through every Channel and North Sea port.

And there is a more sinister side to the traffic—the wicked blackmailing of aliens, who have no official permission to remain in this country, and in consequence pay out large sums of money to silence threats of denunciation.

JOHN BULL's Chief Commissioner has made a close investigation of this smuggling, forged passport and blackmail racket.

He has examined every recent case known to the police, and also a number of others reported to JOHN BULL.

Here are his sensational disclosures:

Only a few days ago an urgent conference took place in Whitehall. Disquieting discoveries had just been made by detectives working on vague information sent to Scotland Yard anonymously.

They had heard a week or two before about an Austrian refugee named Filip Blumeus, who had fled from Germany because he feared being sent to a concentration camp.

Someone "tipped the Yard off" that he had been smuggled into England, had no official papers or passport, and was in touch with other refugees here.

Enquiries led to the Bloomsbury district, where four German-Jewish aliens known to Blumeus were believed to be staying. Every one of them had been smuggled over from Hamburg!

This unhappy quartette were traced and deported.

Blumeus was arrested for being in the country without authority and made a remarkable statement to Detective-Sergeant Hilton, of Scotland Yard.

IT WAS COMMON KNOWLEDGE ABROAD, HE SAID, THAT THERE WERE ORGANISATIONS AT THE CHIEF CONTINENTAL PORTS WHICH WOULD ARRANGE TO LAND REFUGEES—OR CROOKS FOR THAT MATTER—ON ENGLISH SOIL FOR FEES RANGING FROM £200 TO £50, OR EVEN LESS.

BLUMEUS told how he was given the address by a tout on the frontier, and went to a Hamburg café. He was introduced there to a sailor who, for £12—all Blumeus had available—undertook to smuggle him on a boat and land him in England.

Under cover of darkness he was taken aboard a steamer and landed, by rowing-boat, at a lonely spot on the Essex coast.

A refugee being turned back at Croydon. Many others slip into the country helped by the smuggler gang



SMUGGLERS of SOULS

Thence he made his way to Bloomsbury, where he was discovered.

Last week, when Blumeus was charged before Mr. Clyde Wilson, at Greenwich Police Court, with coming into the country without permission, a police officer admitted frankly that the smuggling of aliens in this way was a problem agitating the authorities.

"We cannot find out who is responsible for this secret trafficking," he said. Just how widespread it really is the following facts will show:

A MAN of German origin named Kuri Feller stopped a passing motorist at Beddington, a few miles south of Lewes, Sussex, and begged in broken English for a lift to London. The motorist gladly consented, but, suspecting from the stranger's appearance and agitation that something was wrong, he drove him to Lewes police station.

Enquiries added yet another coup to the growing list. Feller, in fear and desperation, had fallen into the hands of these smugglers of souls.

Agents had introduced him to a sailor at a café in Dieppe and he had paid him to be brought to England. He was put into a motor-boat and brought over to a sandy spot near Seaford. He walked from there to Beddington and, tired out, begged the motorist's help.

Dieppe, Rotterdam, Hamburg and Antwerp are the principal Continental

ports from which this smuggling conspiracy is directed. Havre, Boulogne and Calais are also used.

Leon Drexler is one of many refugees whom the police have found here lately, and who got over from Antwerp.

It was fear which drove him, too, to these professional dealers in human cargo. He handed over £50 in an Antwerp restaurant, was smuggled away on a small steamer and landed by rowing-boat on a lonely stretch of the Kentish shore.

CROOKS OR INNOCENT REFUGEES—IT DOES NOT MATTER TO THE RACKETEERS SO LONG AS THEY GET THEIR MONEY.

About three weeks ago a Scotland Yard officer "spotted" a notorious international criminal walking along a London street. He asked to see his passport and, as the man refused, took him into custody.

He turned out to be Alexandre Mandl, who has a police record the world over. Mandl has been to prison in Budapest, Vienna, Munich, Berlin, Brussels and London.

Already deported from England, he

was here again—recognised only by chance—to carry on his crime career.

Quite indifferently he admitted that he had paid a heavy fee to the Antwerp smugglers to get into England.

Leaders of the smugglers keep in close touch with carefully chosen French fishermen operating along the coasts of Brittany and Normandy.

These fishermen take bribes to carry aliens to this country and land them at suitable spots.

SKIPPERS of small steamers who are in the conspiracy generally carry two passengers at a time, and get anything from £5 to £20 each—according to the sum obtained from the "passenger."

Many agents of the gangs haunt Soho and London's dockland as well as other ports in the country to see how the poorer type of smuggled refugee can be exploited when he gets here.

But a more ambitious ramp is being worked on refugees known to have plenty of money, who have not been brought over by a "smuggle voyage," but have handed over big fees. They have usually paid about £200 for a forged passport bearing the name of a Balkan State.

SCOTLAND YARD DETECTIVES HAVE HEARD OF CASES WHERE HOLDERS OF THESE FORGED PASSPORTS, THREATENED THAT EXPOSURE WILL FOLLOW IF THEY DO NOT PAY, HAVE BEEN BLACKMAILED WHILE IN HIDING.

There are many of these passport forgeries. Some of them are masterpieces which defy detection.

Officers in the employ of the International Police System recently took a statement from an alien named Axel Stanislaw Belewicz during the course of their enquiries.

BELEWICZ admitted that an official of a foreign Chancellery had supplied him with thirty-eight blank passports for which he paid about £11. The same person also supplied the necessary official stamps.

Obviously this disgraceful scandal cannot continue. Every day the smugglers and racketeers are growing more formidable. Their ramifications will spread further and further if something drastic is not done to curb them.

WHY NOT AN INTERNATIONAL POLICE CONFERENCE TO EXAMINE THE WHOLE TRAFFIC?

Perhaps, then, effective means can be found to defeat these rogues who thrive at the expense of the tortured and hounded refugee.

Not from
the B.B.C.

Bringing Up Father

The heathen in his blindness
Attracts an awful lot
Of missionary effort,
It's time, though, that we got
To work at home and did our bit
To save the poor Old Pot!

Sunk deep in hopeless error,
He goes his selfish way,
And seems to think that he has done
His good deed for the day
When to the wife on Friday night
He's yielded up his pay!

NOT for the first time, Henry, I feel moved to ask if, as a representative British husband, you don't feel dashed well ashamed of yourself?

You don't? Well, that only shows how urgent is the need for missionary work on the home front. Do you realise that in Sweden it would be your duty to see that the wife had breakfast in bed? That in Denmark you would receive a thorough training in cooking and dish-washing?

These are but two of many illuminating items of home chat passed to the wives of England by delegates to the Congress of the Associated Country Women of the World.



Aren't you ashamed?

And if you think they'll go unheeded, Henry, me lad, you're a bigger sap than even I take you for.

But if in this matter of bringing up father we have much to learn from Scandinavia, we have even more to learn from America, where the education of the breadwinner is taken in hand not only by his spouse, but by their joint progeny.

In Missouri, Mrs. Helen Carlton

Smith told the Congress, it is quite common for children of from fourteen upward to have a say in the home budget. If Pop wants, say, a new plough, a family vote is taken.

With your old-world ideas, Henry, you will doubtless agree with Mrs. Smith that "it sounds crazy, maybe." But, having inveighed against dictatorships in many a stirring debate at the Hog and Thistle, you'll look sillier than usual if you raise your voice or slipper against democratic government in the home.

Of course, we're very fond of Dad. Still, there are times when he contrives to get us children mad! Then, for his own good, we feel called upon to make it clear He simply can't do that there here!

But when Pa's really obstinate Our job is rather grim— He won't believe us when we state It hurts us more than him! We can but hope he'll learn some day It pays much better to obey!

Y. Z.

LEN HARVEY, LIMITED

IN the office in which JOHN BULL is printed I saw, six or seven years ago, a quiet-looking man whose face I seemed to know. We started talking. It was Len Harvey.

He told me a remarkable story that, after being middleweight champion of the British Empire, and then winning the cruiser-weight title and the Lonsdale belt, he could not get a fight!

So he was walking all round the newspaper offices, asking in vain for a chance against Jack Petersen, the heavy-weight champion. Everyone had turned him down.

Then Lord Lonsdale intervened—because the late Chris Towler, then Editor of the *Sporting Life*, asked him to do so. A few weeks later I saw Len beat Jack Petersen, and become heavy-weight champion!

Soon after, by beating Larry Gains, he added the British Empire title to his many honours.

And this was the man the promoters had turned down!

Because of his long ring experience, people are apt to think of Len as an old man as boxers go. Actually, he was born in 1907—in Cornwall.

Working his way up from the fly-weight class, he gradually trained himself into a perfect specimen of the British boxer. His upright, left-handed style is in the best tradition.

But the British style usually lacks fireworks, so those who do not understand boxing sometimes call Harvey dull.

The fact is, he prefers the rapier to the bludgeon. So do the experts.

Len analyzes a fight in much the same way as a specialist gives a diagnosis of a patient. He is apt to spend all his time in blocking the other man's blows without giving "the public" the full-blooded battle it, fortunately or unfortunately, expects.

HE always goes out to win in the most scientific and orthodox way.

That perhaps is the reason why, after all these years of fighting, he is still unmarked and in full possession of his faculties.

When one remembers the great middle-weight champions of boxing, he does not compare, for thrills, with, say, Kid McCoy, "The Michigan Assassin," who defeated champion after champion.

Or with Billy Pape, "The Illinois Thunderbolt," a death-or-glory fighter who left his corner like a tiger, never ceasing to punch until his opponent was on the canvas or he himself was incapable of lifting his hand.

Your Holiday Gift

THOUSANDS of people who crowded the sands at one of the biggest South Coast resorts last Easter Monday suddenly felt a thrill of excitement.

The fire brigade! And the tenseness of the firemen as they clung to the engine showed that this was no practice call.

"Thank God it can't be my house," one woman among those holiday throngs said to her sister. "I can be sure of that, because I didn't leave a fire in the grate."

That remark was printed in the local newspapers before the day was out, for it was her house.

She returned home to find the house gutted, herself, her husband and their two children without a roof to their heads.

Had it been caused by the fusing of an electric wire, the smouldering of a beam? The family will never know.

But a much-worried husband and wife were not so much concerned about theories. Their nightmare was to replace within a week or so the furni-

Or with Mickey Walker, "The Pocket Bulldog," a dyed-in-the-wool fighter who neither asked nor gave quarter.

But Harvey has them all beaten in one thing. He has kept a large portion of the £200,000 he must have earned during his career.

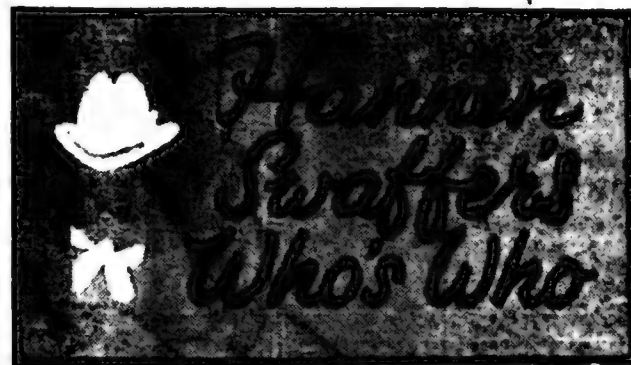
He has offended boxing managers by insisting on managing himself. Why should he pay another man 25 per cent. of his ring earnings and half the money earned outside, as is fixed by the standard contract drawn up by the British Board of Boxing Control?

He can do it all himself—arrange his fights, drive the bargain, settle the details shrewdly. Once sure the money is there, Len will fight anybody.

He takes his punches as coolly as he goes through a contract's clauses.

"I have never felt pain in the ring," he told me last year. "The morning after, I may wake up stiff and say, 'Oh, that hurts,' meaning an arm or an ear. But it's only trifling."

"Even after Petersen beat me, and I had a potato eye for the last two rounds so that I could not see"—actually, it was only the voice of his



Harvey as George White-law sees him. "No boxer has ever hurt me," says Len

trainer, Wally May, that told him where his corner was—"I did not feel any pain. I was in a dark room for a week afterwards. But it didn't hurt."

Now for two rounds in that fight, I remember, Len Harvey looked horrible, like a dying clown. His eye was bunged up and scratched, and he bled. Even then, you see, it wasn't really so bad as it looked.

Now both heavyweight and cruiser-weight champion of Britain—he holds the title Tommy Farr relinquished—he weighs only 12 st. 7 lb. (Even then, he is heavier than was Bob Fitzsimmons, that greater Cornishman who became heavyweight champion of the world.)

When he became a professional boxer at the age of twelve, he weighed 6 st. 2 lb.

"Even when I was second on the bill at the National Sporting Club," Len said, "I was only fourteen. I then fought ten three-minute rounds with Bill Lewis, of Bethnal Green."

"In those days, I earned from £12 to £15 a fight. When I was twelve and a half, they gave me only 5s. The most I have earned in a night was £5,000."

True to form, Len even married young. He met his wife when, only nineteen, he was at the seaside.

"ARE you Len Harvey?" she said, when introduced. "I can scarcely believe it. My brother is Bert Law, the boxer."

Twenty minutes after, Len said to a friend, "I'm going to marry that girl." The friend thought he was fooling.

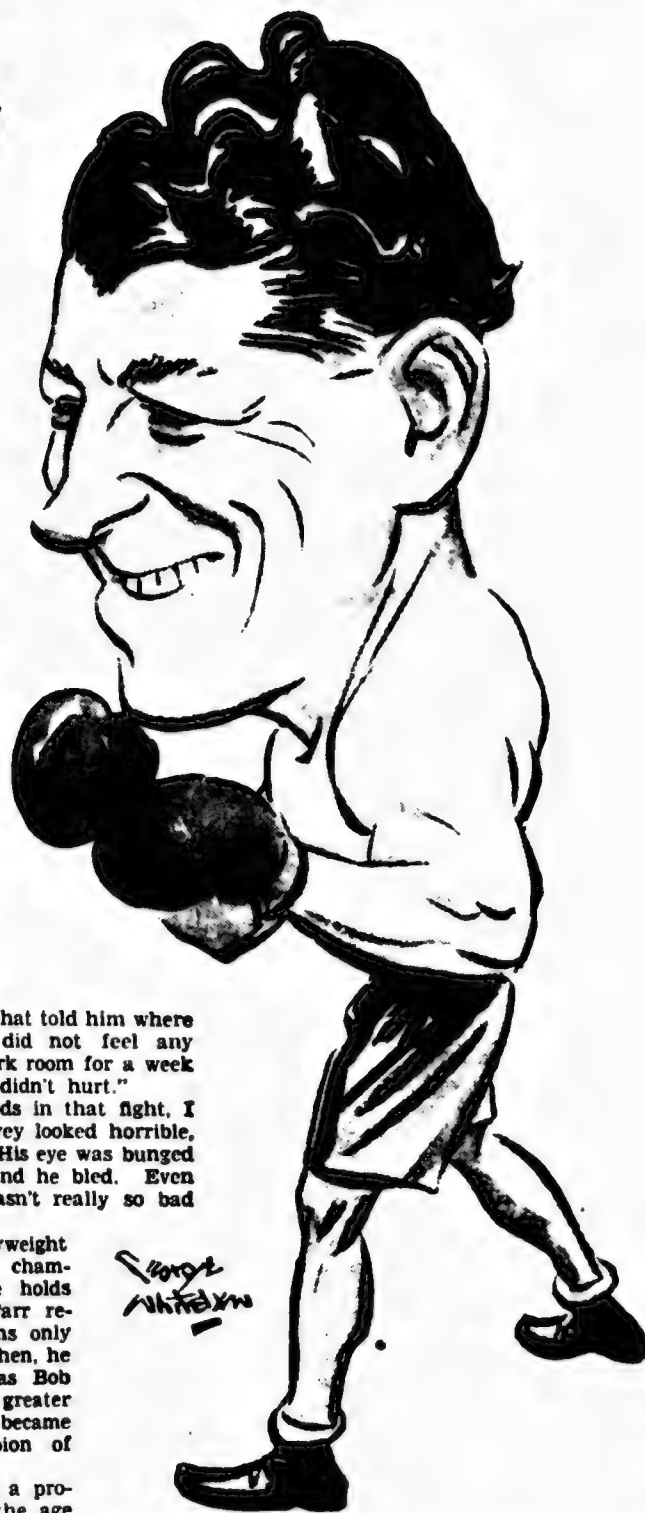
Two weeks after, Len called her up and said he was fighting at the Ring on Sunday afternoon, and added, "Why don't you come to see me?"

Shocked, she replied, "I would never go to a place like that."

However, she went, saw Len beat a Dutchman, and then said, "You make it look so easy that I think I could do it myself."

"At that time she was in Sir Charles Higham's space-buying department," Len told me. "A few months later, I'm glad to say, I married her."

Harvey's career has been wins and bouts, and ins and outs.



After winning the proudest of British titles—the heavyweight title—from Petersen in 1933, he lost it back to him after six months. Later, Petersen beat him again on points.

Yet before long, when fighting John Henry Lewis of America for the world's cruiser-weight championship, Len put up a really great battle.

It was in April last year, when he defeated McAvoy at Harringay for the cruiser-weight title, that he really came back into the picture. He followed that victory by winning from Eddie Phillips the heavyweight title, which Tommy Farr had refused to return to England to defend.

Yes, he has had more ups than downs lately. Still, win or lose, Len Harvey always plays the game. He is straight.

In all the various classes, whether a slim youth fighting for 5s. or a heavyweight champion and paid £5,000, he has fought gamely, never seeking a mean advantage.

Although he says boxing has not hurt him, and although he has told me how this much-despised pugilism brings a successful boxer into touch with all classes of the community, rich and poor, famous and unknown, he is wise enough to plan for his small son a job less spectacular, but a little more safe.

As the boy is to go into business, I hope he has inherited, if not his father's boxing skill, his business ability.

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England's most fashionable police station is for sale. It symbolises the night life of London—the gaiety of the West End and the grim underworld vice of Soho. Stanley Bishop, our famous crime reporter, tells you on this page of its colourful past, and explains why you've read so often—



Mrs. Meyrick, the Night Club Queen, saw the inside of a Vine Street cell. Brilliant Chang (centre), London's most notorious dope trafficker, was taken there. A Vine Street officer traced the killer of "Red Max" (right), the Soho gangster

"He Was Taken To Vine Street"

PEERS, politicians, perhaps even a bishop or two, will mourn the passing of "Vine Street," London's most colourful police station.

For some of the country's most distinguished men have been marched there, to rub shoulders with old lags.

And when the blue 'lamp outside the door is finally extinguished they will think fondly of the youthful exuberance that sent them (for an hour or so), to the cells.

So great is the romance of Vine Street that it has its own Club. To be a member you must have been arrested and taken to the station for disorderly conduct or obstruction on Boat Race night.

This week—Ascot Week—there was sadness among members at the Club's annual dinner. Because in a few months their Vine Street will have gone.

The police station that symbolises the wealthy night life of London is for sale. Soon, probably, new buildings will rise on the famous site—7,250 sq. ft. in area—beside an alley between Piccadilly and Regent Street.

On the spot where prisoners kicked unruly heels in the narrow cells people perhaps will dine and dance.

For, according to the auctioneers' announcement, "the site is suitable for business premises, restaurant or garage."

What a change from the days when the "Clubmen" raided the Empire and Alhambra music-halls, took charge of the circle promenades, and dared the hard-muscled "chuckers out"!

Vine Street was opened as a police station nearly eighty years ago, and for long it has been inconvenient and out of date. It was extended by taking over an adjoining public-house, the "Man in the Moon," but even this addition was not sufficient.

So it was decided to sell the old place and build a super-station among the tailors in Savile Row.

At the new station the work of Vine Street and Marlborough Street will be combined. There will be thus one headquarters for the greater part of the West End proper.

Though many of the "wrongdoers" taken to Vine Street have been harmless youngsters on the spree, there is another side to the picture. For police there have always had to fight the vicious crooks of the Soho underworld.

Since the war a gambling den squad, a night club or bottle party squad,

and a vice squad have had Vine Street for their base.

Because of this highly specialised police work, every ambitious young officer wanted to be at Vine Street and in the "C" Division.

"Old boys" of the station have climbed high in the service. There is, for instance, Chief Constable Horwell, head working detective of all London, and Superintendent J. Sands, who is now in charge of detective operations for the whole of Central London, and has never failed to solve a murder mystery on which he has been engaged.

Probably one of the best detectives ever at Vine Street was a sergeant—James Beard.

HE knew more about the sordid underworld than any other man in the police force.

Whenever there was a crime with a Piccadilly, Regent Street or Soho end Scotland Yard used to tell Sergeant Beard to get busy, and he would invariably return with every scrap of available information.

He it was who connected up all the links in the murder of "Red Max," the bully and brothel-keeper who was shot in a Soho flat, and whose body was afterwards dumped by the road side in Hertfordshire.

Because of Beard the murderer and his girl friend were caught in Paris and brought before the French courts.

Actually, Vine Street has had few sen-

sational murders compared with some of the other London divisions. Most of them have been the murders of loose women of the streets, and therefore particularly difficult to solve.

The case of Nora Upchurch, killed and robbed in an empty shop within the Vine Street area, is a good instance. The detectives, working under Chief Inspector Cornish of the "Yard," were convinced in their own minds that they knew the criminal—a young man called Frederick Field.

But the evidence against him was lacking, and he went free.

Later he confessed the murder and gave himself up. But at his trial he withdrew his confession, and as that statement was the only concrete evidence against him he was acquitted.

Then some years later Field murdered another woman in a Clapham flat. Again he made an incriminating statement and again he withdrew that statement before the Court. On this occasion, however, there was other evidence against him, and he was convicted and hanged.

With his conviction one of the unsolved murders of Vine Street was removed from the files. Field was the man who killed Nora Upchurch.

MARTIAL LECHAVALIER, a young French music-hall acrobat, was stabbed at night in a street behind Piccadilly and died. The murder was the result of a dispute over the money side of white slave trafficking.

"Greatest of These"

AMONG the hundreds of ex-Service-men seeking help from the JOHN BULL War Sufferers' Fund is John Murray.

He is unemployed with a wife and four children to support. You see one of the children, Gordon, here.

No matter how John Murray tries he cannot get a job. Every week 13s. 6d. of his unemployment allowance goes to the landlord. Half-a-crown is spent on insurance.

The family has to live on scraps of food. The children—the eldest is nine—have to wear ragged, cast-off clothes.

Kenneth, the youngest, was born with a disfigurement which will handicap him for the rest of his life unless he is operated on

soon. He is still waiting for admission to a babies' hospital, though he is now twelve months old.

We need a constant stream of donations from our sympathetic readers to help John Murray and other desperate men which are continually writing to us.

Donations earmarked "Gordon" and for the Fund generally should be addressed to the Hon. Secretary, JOHN BULL War Sufferers' Fund, 93, Long Acre, London, W.C.2.

Where names and addresses are given, acknowledgments will be sent by post.

Lists of subscriptions are kept at this office, and a copy of the current week's will be sent on application.

We gratefully acknowledge £1 from "Invalid" (West Bromwich), and 10s. from "Wirral."



Gordon

Four people—two of them women—saw the attack on Lechavallier, but they were frightened to open their mouths and talk to the police. They were in terror of the white slave gang.

AGAIN VINE STREET KNEW WHO COMMITTED THE MURDER, BUT COULD NOT GATHER THE EVIDENCE. THAT IS WHY A SMALL, ELDERLY MAN WHO LIMPS ON HIS LEFT FOOT IS GOING FREE TO THIS DAY.

Because of this old police station stringent rules and regulations regarding the treatment of prisoners under arrest are now enforced.

It happened that a woman was robbed of £18 by a man she had met in the street. Later she saw a man whom she recognised as the thief in Piccadilly.

At Vine Street station this man was given into custody. He told the officer on duty that a grotesque mistake had been made; that he was Major Sheppard of the Royal Army Ordnance Corps, in charge of the magazine at Hyde Park, and he produced documents to prove his identity.

"How do we know you haven't stolen those as well?" said the Vine Street policeman.

ELEVEN other men were brought in from outside to form an identification parade with the "suspect." Witnesses came and picked out Major Sheppard.

He protested that it was all too preposterous for words, and that his real identity could be confirmed from a hundred and one sources.

Despite this Major Sheppard was charged with the theft, and at the police court committed for trial.

But at the trial the case was withdrawn. It was admitted then that there had been a mistake.

A special enquiry followed under order of the Home Secretary. The report of the learned Commissioner who held the enquiry was a scathing condemnation of the police methods.

There was this paragraph in the report: "The serious aspect of the enquiry to my mind is not the fact that Major Sheppard was improperly treated—as he undoubtedly was at Vine Street—but that, if the police evidence before me is correct, other prisoners have been treated somewhat similarly in the past there, and that, unless steps are taken to prevent it, possibly other prisoners may be so treated in the future."

VINE STREET, BY ITS SCANDALOUS MISTAKE OVER MAJOR SHEPPARD, REFORMED POLICE STATION PRACTICES.

In every station throughout the country printed notices are now prominently displayed setting out the rights and privileges of suspected offenders.

Because of Vine Street the police cannot ride rough-shod over members of the public, whatever the suspicion against them.

Yes, the old place has been the scene of excitement enough.

Fashionable young men-about-town, vicious gang chiefs, night-club patrons—they've all been taken to Vine Street.

Militiamen, Reservists, Terriers— They All Write to "John Bull" About It

FOR thirty-three years—since the great Haldane experiment with British Army reorganisation in 1906—JOHN BULL has been spoken of in garrison and ship across the Empire as the Service Man's Friend.

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To justify it we have had to campaign ceaselessly. But we are well rewarded by the knowledge that not once has any sailor, soldier or airman, any dependant, any widow or orphan, ever come to us in vain when advice was required or a wrong called for correction.

From the moment the Government took its recent decision to expand the Services on a scale without precedent in peace time, JOHN BULL realised that its own efforts would have to be multiplied many times if the greatest possible protection was to be given to the men concerned and their families.

Before the end of this year, no

fewer than 900,000 men will be under arms or ready to spring to arms in Britain.

Without any extension of the Government's present plans, that number will continue to rise until, in four years, the armed forces of the country, with reserves, will be at the 2,000,000 mark!

But it was not in the magnitude alone of these emergency preparations that JOHN BULL saw the need for greater watchfulness and action on behalf of the men who will serve.

The greatest latent dangers, we recognised, lay in the haste with which the various schemes have had to be applied, and in the ignorance of changing social conditions shown by some responsible authorities.

CONFIRMATION of this view came in startling volume as soon as we invited our readers a few weeks ago to write to us in confidence regarding any guidance they needed or any grievances they might suffer as a result of compulsory service.

From the cascades of letters which JOHN BULL has dealt with in the past month, the truth emerged vividly, almost tragically.

It was plain that the Government

and its experts had shown appalling shortness of vision in estimating the effects of the new military measures on the social standards of the community—especially on the lives and homes of the people from which the new armies are to be drawn.

Many contingencies with sad prospects for those affected—hardship, misery and suffering—had not even been foreseen.

SO, EVERY DAY, JOHN BULL REPRESENTATIVES HAVE BEEN DOING THEIR BEST TO MAKE THEMSELVES NUISANCES TO POLITICIANS IN THE LOBBIES OF PARLIAMENT, AND TO SERVICE AND CIVIL ADMINISTRATORS IN THE WHITEHALL DEPARTMENTS.

Happily, they have not been regarded as nuisances. Instead, the pleas and information they brought with them—all based on evidence supplied by our readers—have been received and dealt with in a spirit of welcome and cordial desire for co-operation.

Especially is this true of the administrative Government departments involved. Both at the War Office and the Ministry of Labour, splendid teams of officers—enlightened men with unusual knowledge of conditions among the ordinary people—are now in charge of the task of "humanising" the consequences of conscription.

Of course, their work is still restricted within the narrow and rigid limits imposed by the Government.

BUT, LARGELY AS A RESULT OF JOHN BULL'S QUICK INTERVENTION AND PERSISTENT EFFORTS BEHIND THE SCENES IN RECENT WEEKS, THESE LIMITS WILL SOON BE WIDENED.

BECAUSE we were able to prove the urgent need for a much more humane and generous conception of the position, the Cabinet reviewed it in its entirety at a meeting a few days ago.

As a result, a series of important Ministerial announcements may be expected at once—they may even have been made coincident with the publication of this issue of JOHN BULL.

From what is known of the Government's intentions, however, it cannot be said that they will give full satisfaction.

The Government is still trying to raise and maintain an Army on the cheap.

This is abundantly clear from the operation so far of its schemes for

A Regular Army recruit goes through his medical examination. Already the first batch of Militiamen have had similar tests.

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the creation of the new militia, for the calling up of Regular reservists—who rejoin between this week and mid-August for a period of not more than three months unless exceptional circumstances arise—and for the summoning for monthly duty of the air defence units of the Territorial Army.

From the outset, the Government has been stubbornly refusing, against all representations from its own advisers, to accept and discharge the civil liabilities of the men required for service, as was done in the Great War.

The most that can apparently be expected is a kind of moratorium—legislation by Order in Council—by which men with the Forces will not suffer loss of any property or right in contracts on account of inability to meet their obligations.

FROM the mass of letters reaching JOHN BULL, there stands out most starkly the terrible price which Service men would have to pay in the form of debt and loss unless some adequate scheme is prepared to shield them while they are performing their duties to the State.

With only ordinary Army pay and family allowances, reservists and Territorials especially would still be liable for such commitments as rent or mortgage payments, rates, insurances, hire-purchase agreements, income tax due next month, school fees, and so on.

Far from being able to meet such obligations, a man with family responsibilities who is called up has already sufficient cause for anxiety regarding possible privation in his home during his absence on service.

EVEN WITH THE LARGEST POSSIBLE ALLOTMENT FROM HIS ARMY PAY AND THE MAXIMUM ALLOWANCE OBTAINABLE, THERE WOULD BE EVERY PROSPECT, UNDER PRESENT CONDITIONS, THAT WHILE HE IS AWAY HIS FAMILY WOULD HAVE TO SUBSIST ON A LEVEL EVEN LOWER THAN THAT IMPOSED BY THE UNEMPLOYMENT MEANS TEST!

What has been overlooked by the authorities, particularly with regard to the reserve forces, is that, having demanded a higher standard of recruits in late years, they have now automatically in the reserves a body of men of higher social and domestic standards than formerly.

These men have liabilities that must be met or avoided if disaster is not to visit their homes.

They have families which cannot possibly exist on the present scale of service allowances.

Read these extracts from a letter with a Bristol address.

"I am a Royal Artillery reservist.



END DEFENDERS

Failing to get work when I left the Army two years ago, I began business as a butcher. Using all my savings and by hard work, it has done well—worth, perhaps £500.

"Now I have received my calling-up papers. So I shall lose everything. I shall come back to nothing—not even the dole.

"My wife has just had a baby. The doctor states that her health is so low that she must have someone always with her while I am away on service. How can I provide for that from the meagre Army allowance?

"In addition, I am buying my house by mortgage and my van by hire-purchase. Even if I am allowed to keep it, the cost of garaging it will have to be met in my absence.

"The authorities tell me that, so far, nothing can be done about it—either to make better provision for my home or to compensate me for the loss and ruin I will have to face when I return."

That letter is a sample of many hundreds, varying not at all in the possible tragedy depicted, but only in the different circumstances of each individual case.

All that Mr. Hore-Belisha, the War Secretary, has had to say as yet about this state of affairs is that instances of unusual hardship should be referred to him.

WHY OUGHT PROBLEMS LIKE THESE BE LEFT TO THE DISCRETION OF A MINISTER?

WHY SHOULD THERE NOT BE INDEPENDENT MACHINERY, BACKED WITH LEGISLATION, TO GUARANTEE THAT SERVICE MEN AND THEIR FAMILIES SHALL NOT SUFFER IN THE DEFENCE OF THE NATION?

It is JOHN BULL's purpose to see that some such machinery and legislation is promptly forthcoming.

OTHERWISE, very soon, it will be seen that the first effect of compulsory service in all its branches will be a lowering of the living standards of a great section of the community.

In the case of militiamen, the Government intends to pay no more than a pittance to dependants, other than wives and children—not sufficient in many cases to pay rent, far less to buy food.

And in the case of reservists and Territorials, the Government is to provide nothing at all for their dependants.

So parents and grandparents who depend for support on men called to serve will, as things are, have to throw themselves on the mercy of the poor law system.

No longer can the fact be hidden that pauperism is meant to be the mainstay of Britain's new cut-price armies.

Henceforth, it is JOHN BULL's mission to defeat this policy.

While the authorities persist in their present attitude—at least towards the dependants of militiamen—there is only one method by

which undue suffering may be avoided.

The men who were registered two weeks ago under the Military Training Act for service in the next twelve months must make the fullest use of local Hardships Committees, of which 300 are being set up throughout the country.

Unfortunately, owing to the speed at which preparations for raising the militia have been made, there is widespread ignorance regarding the functions of these committees.

THE title "Hardships Committees" is really a misnomer. No power at all has been given to these bodies to deal directly in any way with poverty or other distress caused to a man or his dependants by the summons to serve in the militia.

They are not even given authority to grant exemptions, however extreme the cases brought before them may be.

Their legal powers do not go beyond allowing a recruit to anticipate or postpone his service.

IN THE POSTPONEMENT PROVISION, IF IT IS PROPERLY ADMINISTERED, LIES THE ONLY REAL HOPE OF AVOIDING SERIOUS HARDSHIPS.

Fortunately, there is no limitation of the powers of the committees to grant postponement of service—except that they may not concede it for more than a year at a time.

So the chance is open for every potential recruit who believes that his dependants will endure severe hardship to seek delay of his calling-up notice. There is, at present, no other loophole for him.

BUT HE MUST MAKE APPLICATION BEFORE THIS SATURDAY, JUNE 17.

JOHN BULL is pressing to have this date extended because, on account of the quickness with which the regulations have been rushed, the value of the postponement provision has not been realised by most of the men concerned.

Nor does it seem to be generally understood yet that if the Hardships Committees do not reach their decisions unanimously, the men who go before them and still feel aggrieved can apply for leave to appeal to an Umpire.

AND applicants to the committees or to the Umpire have the right, in both instances, to claim for travelling and subsistence allowances both for themselves and their witnesses.

JOHN BULL believes that in the majority of cases these local Hardships Committees will see that justice is done, if applications for postponement are made in time and are fully and properly stated.

Our faith in them has yet to be tested. But we entertain it because already JOHN BULL has been successful in securing two important promises.

One is that the committees will not become quasi-military tribunals.

The other is that among the members will be women, and that trade unions will be represented.



Twenty-year-olds register under the Military Training Act. What problems and difficulties will they encounter?

Perhaps the most difficult problems of all to be solved by the committees will be those presented by young men who are running one-man businesses.

NOTHING has caused more surprise to the authorities in connection with the registration of militiamen than the revelation of the immense number of these young men.

The explanation is, of course, quite simple. They are the multitude of youths who since leaving school have failed to find employment and, with fine enterprise, have opened small businesses on their own account rather than exist on the dole or the Means Test.

Now, seemingly, these businesses will perish while their owners are on service. There is no provision of any kind so far to compensate for the loss of them.

For that reason JOHN BULL intends to give no quarter in its demand that the men who are likely to suffer in this manner shall be either brought within the total exemption clauses of the Military Training Act or given the unchallengeable right to obtain postponement of their service until such time as arrangements can be made for their businesses to be carried on in their absence.

These young men and their dependants must be protected by legislation against future loss of livelihood. There is as much reason for this as for the guarantee that men in private employment must get their jobs back after finishing their period of military training.

With no less emphasis, we insist that there shall be legislative concessions to militiamen who will be

nearing the completion of their apprenticeships at the time they are due to report for training.

We are glad to be able to report that trades unions and employers' organisations in some of the heavy industries have now agreed that men sent on six months' military service shall have the period reckoned as part of their apprenticeship term.

There is every reason to expect that similar agreements will soon cover most branches of industry.

These arrangements, however, do not lessen our demand that men who are in the final stage of apprenticeship should be able automatically to claim postponement of their calling-up until they become journeymen.

The Government has conceded a similar principle as a right to university undergraduates and other students about to sit for final examinations.

JOHN BULL can see no possible reason why there should be any differentiation between the young professional and artisan classes.

IN the thousands of letters already received by us from the men who are about to join the militia, there is a common note which marks the difference between the new and the old peace-time armies.

It is a note of greater political and social consciousness.

Almost without exception, every one of them gives the assurance that he is wholeheartedly willing to give his youth, service and, if necessary, his life to the defence of his country and Democracy.

BUT NEARLY FOUR IN EVERY FIVE ADD THAT, WHILE FREELY OFFERING THEMSELVES FOR THE GENERAL LEVY, THEY EXPECT THAT THERE SHALL ALSO BE A LEVY ON THE IMMENSE ADDITIONS TO PRIVATE WEALTH NOW BEING PROVIDED FROM ARMAMENT PROFITS.

Underground Man-2

Reginald Garbutt, ex-University scholar who became a renegade Englishman, continues the amazing story of his work for the Nazi Gestapo. His full confession was carefully checked by JOHN BULL before he disappeared from this country to start a new life abroad.

Below he tells how he made traitors of young Czechs, how he helped a vast arms-running plot to undermine their country, and how he met Gestapo-Chief Himmler, most dreaded of all the Nazis.

WITHIN a few minutes of leaving Heinlein any qualms I had about selling my friends to the Gestapo disappeared.

Straightaway I threw myself into my new career of treachery as eagerly as most men throw themselves into a new and better paid job.

I drew up a list of a dozen young Slovaks and Czechs I knew intimately. Some of these men were the first friends I, who had spent a lifetime pining for friends, had ever known.

Yet with what relish I put beside their names the little political viewpoints that had escaped their lips while I was teaching them English.

I even put down what young Jan Barta had told me: "I am a Slovak. I would hate to come under Nazi domination. But, to get rid of our Czech oppressors, I would willingly use Hitler as a means to an end."

THERE WAS NOBODY IN MY WORLD WHOM I LIKED BETTER THAN JAN. TO SEND HIS CONFIDENCES TO THE GESTAPO NEXT DAY, AS I INTENDED TO DO, WAS THE REAL JUDAS TOUCH.

Several of the young people I listed were, like Jan, anxious to be rid of so-called oppressors. I could guess what would happen to them.

Heinlein would see that they were sur-

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rounded with young German friends who would inoculate them with the youth aims of young Germany.

Their allegiance would be won by a cunning blend of comradeship and culture.

They would soon be starting their compulsory military service. The voice of the tempter would follow them even into their barracks.

The Germans could threaten them that their expressed opinions could easily be made known to the Czech authorities, and so earn them the fate of all traitors.

It is an old Gestapo trick to commit a man to a course of action and then, when he gets weak-hearted, drive him further along that course with the threat of exposure.

Secret Census

Some of the friends whose opinions I put on my list were fiercely antagonistic to Nazism, had described to me how they had worked against the Sudeten Germans.

One day, perhaps, the German Army would march. The Gestapo could afford to wait for its enemies.

Then there were the young men I knew who had a lurking respect for the Nazis, which they would not dare to express publicly. They would have been afraid to give active support to the Germans.

The Gestapo would know how to force them into the open when the right moment arrived.

I felt pleased as I sealed my list in an envelope. Heinlein would think I had started well.

I had helped the underground Census which the Gestapo was carrying out in Czechoslovakia, just as it does in any country which Hitler has marked down for conquest.

Now to carry out the rest of the instructions of my bosses of the secret police.

"Professor"

First to become a fully-fledged Professor of Languages, which Heinlein had told me was essential in view of the fact that such people can cross and re-cross frontiers and make all sorts of enquiries without arousing suspicion.

The man deputed by Heinlein to take me to Prague to acquire that status, a Slovak, so consumed with hatred of the Czechs that he was willing to do anything for Germany, was himself described as a Professor of Languages.

Central Europe abounds with them. Several I know to be German agents.

I saw Captain J. W. Taylor, the British Vice-Consul in Prague. He gave me a letter certifying my good standing and reputation—if only he had known the truth!—and recommending me as an English lecturer for Czech schools.

The German Consul then gave me the necessary introductions to the educational authorities.

AND THEN MY CAREER AS A GERMAN AGENT IN THE DISGUISE OF A PROFESSOR OF LANGUAGES REALLY BEGAN.

Soon I was lecturing to boys of seventeen in the higher schools of the country. This was the sort of material the Gestapo wanted. It didn't give a hang for the opinions of sixty and seventy year olds, as long as they didn't try to influence youth against Nazism.

Then all over Czechoslovakia were English-speaking clubs, the students of which were, for the most part, young people.

The secretaries of those clubs clamoured for lectures and lessons from "the English professor."

In some cases fathers brought their sons to me for private lessons. I never boggled about terms if I saw the possibility of lads of sixteen to nineteen being flung into my sphere of influence.

On top of that, I had a regular teaching appointment at a school of electricity—again with boys round about sixteen.

On my sixth visit to Heinlein I told him all about this. His delight knew no bounds.

I never hurried over the job of probing the private opinions of my victims.

Test Question

Once a week I would tell a student, in English, something that might or might not have a political significance.

I cannot put in general terms what I used to say. It was always suited to the particular student. With a young Slovak, for instance, it would begin with something that might be regarded as a word of sympathy for oppressed peoples.

Sometimes what I said would meet with indignant protest. I could always point out that there was no political significance in the sentence I used, that it was framed for no other purpose than to illustrate a particular use of a particular word—the word oppressed, for instance.

A protest, however, was usually as good as an admission in showing what a youth's political views were.

There were other times when I felt fairly certain that a student had Nazi leanings, but just didn't ask outright.

I would sit up for hours framing a special test question for such a student.



The passion of German youth for the open air is exploited by the Nazis. Young men and women join hiking clubs, and find themselves servants of the Gestapo.

Perhaps he would be suspicious on hearing it. I would realise, then, that I was hustling him too much.

But it was easy enough to tell him: "I am English, interested in the politics of my own country. When people in this country tell me their political views they go in one ear and out of the other. Besides, I never get them to write them down!"

AFTER SOME SUCH STATEMENT AS THAT I HAVE HAD YOUNGSTERS POUR OUT THEIR INNERMOST FEELINGS TO ME—TO BE DULY DESPATCHED TO CONRAD HEINLEIN.

Some of the lads introduced me to their parents. I was invited to stay at country homes for a day or so. I met their friends, a wide circle of their relatives.

In Barracks

All the time I was carrying on the work of the Gestapo census. I was only an English professor trying to improve their English!

Jan Barta—whom I still liked better than any of my young friends—came to me one day. His period of army service was beginning the following week. I told him how I would miss him.

"You'll be able to come to see me in barracks," he said.

He joined the 86th Regiment of Infantry. That took him to the strongest garrison in the whole country.

At his invitation I went over to see him, and had no difficulty in getting into barracks.

"Still prefer the Nazis to the Czechs as the choice of two evils?" I asked him. "Yes," he answered. "But that's our secret."

Our secret! Little did Jan realise that by now he had his own dossier in the Brown House at Munich and that that fact was duly recorded in it. On my second visit I met three of Jan's comrades in arms who shared his political views. They told me that news, too, in secret.

It wasn't much of a secret by the time it had reached the Brown House.

Within two months I had spent two complete week-ends in the barracks, incredible as it may seem to people who

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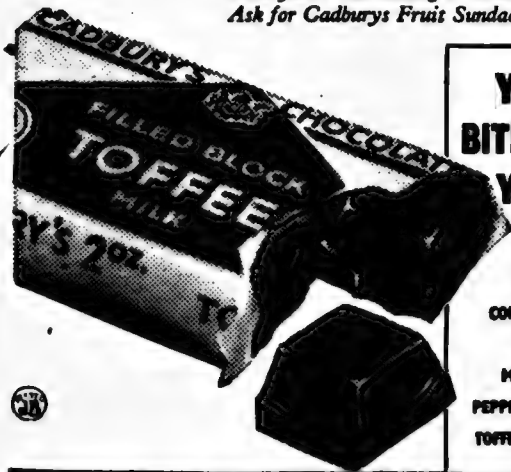
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know how difficult it is to enter a British garrison.

At the end of that time I had detailed to Munich, via Heinlein, the political views of one officer, five cadet officers and seventeen other ranks.

It was amazing how popular the harmless English professor became in that barracks.

I went to see Heinlein again. This time he gave me a lavish helping of crowns out of his well-stocked wallet—something like a hundred pounds worth, three times more than he had ever given me in a single sum.

"GET INTO MORE BARRACKS, IF YOU CAN," HE SAID. "WE ARE PRETTY CERTAIN, ALREADY, THAT WE HAVE GOT THE CZECH ARMY JUST WHERE WE WANT IT."

"WE doubt whether it would attempt to stand up against our German troops if ever the need came, brave though these Czechs are, and well equipped, too."

"If they did offer opposition, it would be as a force split from top to bottom, and wouldn't fight for long."

Then he seized my arm almost affectionately.

It was a strangely demonstrative act for so stolid and schoolmasterish a man.

"We've got a bigger job for you," he said. "Berlin itself has asked that you should help us with this. The instruction comes from Himmler himself."

"We are going to arm the Germans in Sudetenland on a big scale, and you are going to play a leading part."

He waited for a moment for that fact to sink in, and then, coldly and dispassionately, as if giving me details of a holiday trip, he outlined the dramatic plan.

Machine guns, rifles and revolvers were going to be smuggled across the frontier for every German in the Sudetenland who was fit and willing to carry them.

These arms were to be stored in wooden huts which ranged from one end of the frontier between Germany and Czechoslovakia, in some cases only a few hundred yards on the German side of the line, until they could be taken across at dead of night.

There was no need for Heinlein to tell me anything about those huts. I knew all that already.

Ostensibly, they were there to provide open-air-loving German youth with week-end headquarters while they ranged the pine and oak carpeted hills in search of health—and military training.

Heinlein knew what a great deal of experience I had had of those huts.

He had arranged some months before that I should take motor-coach loads of students to Munich, the students who had proved beyond doubt their Nazi sympathies.

THEY were supposed to be scholars of the English professor going to Munich to see the architecture.

But the real purpose was to complete the Nazifying of these eager young men in the Brown House, where they were proud to be greeted by prominent men in the movement.

We used to look into the huts on the German side on the way back. There was always hot coffee and rough but wholesome food for us, and a noisy welcome.

A straw bed, if need be.

Now Heinlein plunged into detail.

He showed me on a map eleven points along the line where long processions of men could move into and out of Sudetenland without attracting the attention of frontier guards, although it was intended to send men over singly at half-hour intervals.

Each man would carry a 60-lb. parcel of arms or ammunition, wrapped in

brown paper. And each man would be prepared to say 'hat he was indulging in private gun-running if caught.

My job would be to cross and re-cross by day—just "visiting" students.

Who was to know that I was carrying messages between those students—verbal messages, for nothing was ever committed to paper—messages that were really from one Nazi leader to another?

And so I began my new job.

EVERY NIGHT YOUNG GERMAN CROSSED THE LINE WITH THEIR PARCELS OF ARMS, STEALING BACK AS SILENTLY AS THEY CAME.

At week-ends, when the gun-running reached its peak, as many as two thousand 60-lb. loads were deposited in ditches, dykes, wells and other hiding places in Sudetenland, to be removed by other hands to the homes of people not known by the authorities to hold Nazi beliefs.

One evening a messenger reached me with an urgent message from Heinlein. Would I see him at once?

The messenger tried to satisfy my curiosity but ended up by making it more acute. "I'm not supposed to know, and in any case I don't know the reason, but I believe you are going to Berlin," he said.

Soon I had confirmation from the lips of the Sudetenland Nazi leader himself.

I was to go to the Gestapo headquarters in Berlin's Wilhelmstrasse. I was to carry no letter or credentials.

The only message I was to give was: "I have called by arrangement to see the first secretary."

And so, my pocket stuffed with notes from Heinlein's wallet, I went to Berlin, presented myself as I had been instructed.

Within thirty seconds I had been shown by an American-looking girl from a downstairs waiting room into an upstairs one.

AFTER thirty seconds there I was shown by another American-looking young woman into a passage, where she said to me in English, with an imitation Hollywood-American accent: "Herr Himmler will see you now."

HERR HIMMLER... HEAD OF THE DREADED GESTAPO...

FRIEND OF HITLER HIMSELF. I HADN'T EXPECTED THAT!

And before I had time to collect my wits, I stood before him.

I was too flustered, in those first few minutes, to form any impression of him.

But I remember that he spoke and behaved just like Heinlein had done when I first met him.

"Are you with the German national movement?" he asked.

When I told him I had proved it, he asked: "Will you stay with it in face of any inducement that is ever offered to you to leave?"

I told him I would.

"If it is a question of money only, I haven't any work I can offer you," he added, still adhering more or less to the Heinlein ritual.

"It has never been a question of mere money with me," I answered. "I think I have proved that to your people."

He nodded his head. "I think you have," he said. "But I just wanted to ask you for myself."

He toyed with the cap of a fountain pen. "You are not fond of England?" was his next question. "It is a nice country, you know."

I told him I was born in India, had always been made to feel a stranger to England.

"Still, I don't think you like it," he said. "Anyhow, I've got a special job for an Englishman."

"I want somebody who understands the English commercial temperament, which I must confess is beyond me. I understand the German commercial temperament and the French, too. But the English, no."

"I think you understand it, from details I have about your commercial career. In fact I am sure you do. I am sure you are going to be the man I want."

He produced a wallet stuffed with foreign currencies, just as Heinlein had done, and placed it on the table before me.

"The job I want you to do is one in which you needn't be afraid of spending money," he began.

"Let me explain. . . ."

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All these things cause mental strain and induce worry: and once you allow worry to join hands with your work—why, you're "for it."

As everyone knows, if, instead of oil, you put sand and grit into a machine you'll cause a lot of unnecessary friction and very quickly wear out your machine. Well, all these things that cause strain, are mental sand and grit. Keep them out.

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This Marriage Mystery



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BETTY has a figure like a bathing beauty; Joyce could put on a stone and still be thin. Everyone says Betty is clever; nobody ever says that about Joyce.

Why is it, then, that Joyce has had dozens of proposals in the last year? And Betty none?

The names are not real, but the facts are true, and I've no doubt you know dozens of similar cases.

A young woman's letter set me thinking of this mystery of human attraction a day or two ago.

"Can you tell me," she wrote, "of any way in which an ordinary, decent girl can find a man? I go about quite a lot to dances, parties and swimming, but the company almost always consists of couples, and any single man I happen to meet is the sort who never thinks about marriage."

"Now, I am not romantic, and I can assure you that I am perfectly healthy and normal. I do not look frumpy. I could make a good wife. Yet there seems no way out."

"Do you know of any scheme? Believe me, I am quite a nice person and I do not want to grow old and look back and say, 'If only I had known.'"

"If there is no way, well, I am quite willing to carry on single, but it is more natural to be married and the country is said to be worried about the low birthrate. I can see why it's low if girls find it so difficult to find partners."

"Please don't think I am potty; I am far from that. Trusting you will be able to help me."

ONE has only to look up the statistics to learn that couples are marrying fast enough and also that there are thousands of eligible young men. That is undeniable. This is what set me thinking. Why is it that some of the finest girls are overlooked?

Girls who would make first-rate wives and delightful mothers are often missed through what looks like masculine stupidity.

Is it because they are too modest and retiring? Or because they hate to make themselves cheap by self-advertisement? Or is it that they are rather afraid of men?

Or must one fall back on the cynical explanation that men are easily misled by superficial qualities?

But that does not answer the reader's question: Where are the young men to be discovered?

They are to be found everywhere—at dances, holiday camps, amateur dramatic societies, tennis clubs, and at the office. Men don't hide away like badgers.

But—this is serious—if a man suspects that a girl's primary interest is to make a husband out of him he will fight shy. He may even bolt for it. He is not searching for a wife, but a charming companion. Marriage is not his immediate

purpose and that does not dawn on his mind till later.

He will lead the girl to the altar eagerly enough when he wants to, but he objects to being hustled into marriage. He is willing to be "led" only when he is ready himself.

It is not part of my job to introduce young people to one another. The responsibility would be too great. So I am afraid the girl must either find her own man or wait till he finds her.

How do men and women meet? Well, here is one way which is not to be recommended. It comes from a man who has made a sad hash of things:

"At twenty-five I came home from military service in India. A new life was ahead of me. I would join the police and then, perhaps, would come along the one woman—incidentally, my first."

"Dreams so soon to be shattered. I was on a train travelling from (let us say) X to Z. On the map in the compartment I noticed that the journey passed through the town of Y. I felt an urge to break my journey there and did so."

"I asked the taxi-driver outside the station to direct me to a suitable hotel. A young woman chimed in. She directed me all right! I married her at a Register Office a few days later."

"The wedding was in the afternoon. In the evening I discovered that my wife had been living with another man. She had told me that her father was a bank manager. My second shock came when I found he was a roadmender."

"A week later I completed my journey to Z. Soon after I arrived I had a wire to say my wife was in trouble, charged with stealing money before our marriage."

I need not tell the rest of the story, which goes from bad to worse, but readers will not be surprised to learn that after many months of misery the man secured a separation and is now anxious for a divorce.

Not many men would have drifted into such a scrape so easily. The whole point is that the man was guileless and completely inexperienced. Such innocence of the ways of the world is always dangerous. It is really asking for trouble.

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But I have a whole stack of letters from young men and women who have made a melancholy mess of their lives through lack of elementary knowledge.

I think every young person should be "put wise" as soon as he or she is old enough to get into mischief.

HALF the disasters occur through ignorance about sex. If parents feel incapable of giving the essential facts they might at least supply a little book about the subject.

I have prepared a printed list of books, none costing more than a few pence, and will gladly send it to any reader who sends a stamped addressed envelope.

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But this new book is unexpectedly frank and indicates a healthier attitude of mind. I cannot advertise it, but I will send the title to responsible adults.

We are living in a difficult age. Ideals and traditions are changing rapidly. I have had several letters recently from a worried father whose children ridicule the conventions and laugh at the Christian conception of purity.

The young people argue that promiscuous love-making is natural and therefore right.

They call it "living their own lives" and "obeying human instinct." The father does not know how to reply to such arguments and begs me to help him.

The answer to the argument is simple. The fallacy lies in the words: "natural and therefore right."

PLENTY of things are natural, but it does not follow that they are right.

It is natural for weeds to grow in a garden, but we root them out to give the superior plants a chance.

A great many vices are natural—part of our original sin, perhaps. We spend half our lives checking natural instincts and we pay policemen to see that we do it.

It is unutterably stupid to bring forward the old argument about being natural. The father referred to writes to tell me that one of his children has broken up three homes already, and surely that in itself is argument enough?

And here is another letter which illustrates the same subject:

"I am a married man with a good wife and four children. My wife's sister, who is unhappy with her husband, is often at our house."

"One afternoon when I was resting in the drawing-room I dozed off and was awakened by someone ardently kissing me on the lips. I was surprised to find it was my wife's sister. I can only assume that she is in love with me, and she has begged me not to mention the incident to my wife."

"When I go out in the car, if my wife is unable to come with me she suggests that I should take her sister. This has placed me in a very embarrassing position."

"Ought I to do so?"

I really see no need to tell the wife at present. It would cause a great deal of unnecessary heartburning. The man ought to be capable of taking care of himself and preventing any recurrence of the episode.

He might, of course, give the sister-in-law a solemn lecture on the danger of yielding to sudden impulses; but it would be much more satisfactory if he could dismiss the affair as a bit of foolishness.

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COOLIE SAL was in great trouble. Her eyeballs rolled like specks of coal and her white teeth flashed.

She seemed terrified of approaching me. I'd never seen her like this before.

It was early evening and I was on my way from the Ness to Rocky Point Battery, a mile or so east of Port Royal Dockyard, Jamaica.

For a moment or two I had stopped outside the swimming pool to look out over the lovely Caribbean. Strange, coloured fish were swimming almost on the surface of the clear water.

Then it was that the pretty negress had come up to me. Because I was Provost Sergeant sworn in for police duty, I expect.

I asked her why she was in a panic.

"Listen," she begged. "An' for de Lord's sake don't let no black nigger guess Sal am talkin' to you. Jus' go lookin' like you ain't doin' nothin' 'cept watchin' the sea."

"Been up to mischief again?" I asked. Sal was known to have broken up more than one native union.

"I ain't been in no sort of trouble at all—not dat sort of trouble," she answered. "No, sah, I ain't. I done got a man of my own for always."

"Oh," I said doubtfully, "and who is he?"

"Fishy. You know Fishy. Me and him been pullin' together for a long time."

I still looked sceptical and she went on anxiously:

"We hab. Me and Fishy been together for two weeks. Fishy am doin' well. Him been away with dem white gents from de big hotel, fishin'. Him been gone tree days now."



"De hen what talks is de hen what don't walk!" That was Old Sam's warning

"Let's hear what's the matter, then." "You're always kind to Sal, and I've scared like nothin' on earth, an' dat am de truff!"

She looked round nervously before continuing. But the wooden wall of the changing sheds concealed her from inquisitive eyes.

"Hab you've seen my hut dis last two days?" Her eyes seemed to grow larger as she spoke.

I shook my head.

"You go 'long an' look quick. I've scared. He wanted money from me, an' I ain't got nothin'. He reckoned Fishy had money hidden. First day de shells was set out like dat."

A black finger described a half-circle in the air, and I felt my interest quicken, for I recognised the signs of Obeah—that dread curse which kills natives by fear.

Obeah is still powerful, though illegal. But the witch doctors who practise it know that they will seldom be given away to the authorities.

I listened carefully as Sal went on: "De nex' day dere was de eggs, an' dey was all written over with dem signs. Dis mornin', sure 'nuff, dere was de lizards on de sticks. . . Mister, I'm scared to sick. . . But I don't dead yet!" "I'll see about it, Sal," I said. "But, tell me, who it is you suspect?"

SHE told me, and instead of going to the Battery I made for Sal's hut on the edge of the village.

Sure enough, there were the half-circle of shells, the eggs covered in crude, cabalistic signs, and the bodies of two lizards impaled on sticks.

They were the ill-omens of Obeah. I shattered the weird contrivance with my boot, and as I finished became aware of an evil-looking old negro watching me

with savage hate. It was Old Sam, the man Sal had suspected.

"Stop this nonsense, you old rascal," I said angrily. "And take my warning. If any harm comes to Sal you will be held responsible? If she dies you'll be hanged!"

Old Sam grinned contemptuously and muttered that he knew nothing about it. "You are a liar!" I exclaimed. "You are trying to blackmail Sal. We whites have means of discovering things, but not by this trash!"

I gave the mess a final kick and was turning away when he spoke. His eyes flashed anger.

"**HUH!** You believe it am nothin'? You're white trash, an' you don't know nothin'. I tell you somethin'. Soon you will hear two barks, one on each side of you. Maybe dat am nothin', eh? Two barks!"

Then in a voice charged with venom he quoted a queer native proverb.

"De hen what talks is de hen what don't walk!"

With a final warning I set out for Rocky Point Battery once more and had forgotten all about the old negro and Sal, when suddenly I heard a hoarse bark.

I turned to see an alligator moving towards me. Another bark from the other side, and a second huge reptile emerged from the sea. I stopped and stared in horror as the brutes closed in on me.

The sea was my only way of escape and that was infested with sharks. I hope I am not a coward, but as I stood there, menaced with a ghastly death, I knew fear as I had never known it before.

Two barks! The words of the old negro flashed across my mind. I'd

walked the path to Rocky Point many times in the years I had been stationed at Port Royal, but I had never seen alligators so near.

As I stood wondering how to dodge them they stopped opening their enormous jaws and were silent.

They had sensed danger, and as I glanced off-shore I saw a canoe approaching. It carried two white men, and Sal's man, Fishy, who was paddling. They had seen my plight.

I heard the roar of two barrels and the small shot sent the reptiles dashing for the sea. Not until I had reached the mess and gulped down a drink or two did I stop trembling. It was a lucky escape.

TWO days later I heard Sal was dead. Suddenly, with no apparent cause. Fishy, whose grief was short-lived, as most of his kind, told me she "jus' went and died for true."

Immediately I headed for Old Sam's hut accompanied by a police sergeant. There was another surprise when we got there. For Old Sam was lying on a heap of rags that formed his bed. By his side was the body of a hen. The negro was dead.

At the inquests they said both he and Sal had died from natural causes.

But I wonder. The mysterious omens, the death of a fine, healthy young negress, Old Sam's prophecy of the two barks, the dead hen beside the hoodoo worker, formed a strange chain of circumstances.

"De hen what talks is de hen what don't walk!" Was that threat no more than a coincidence?

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In a couple of minutes she made a tourniquet out of the man's tie and a small stick and got it round the injured arm.

Then she called her small boy and sent him to the nearest highway to stop a passing motorist. Within half an hour the man was in hospital and getting skilled attention.

This incident could be matched with thousands of similar examples from the yearly list of accident and mishap.

It is not outstanding, but a typical sidelight of one of the most interesting

and pleasant social developments of the past few years—the huge increase in the numbers of people who have made themselves skilled in first-aid.

It is estimated to-day that in one out of ten of the country's 12,000,000 homes there is somebody who has made himself or herself proficient in medical and surgical first-aid.

Teaching organisations like the St. John Ambulance Brigade and the British Red Cross Society are now issuing efficiency certificates at the rate of 100,000 a year. With this continuing advance among the new Samaritans their numbers will be more like one in every five homes—or an even greater proportion.

Until recently the study of first-aid was regarded as the queer hobby of a few enthusiasts. Of course, all countries and in all ages from the time of the St. Luke's Good Samaritan onwards there have been men and women prompt to offer help to others struck down by accident or sudden illness. But willingness and knowledge are two different things.

THE first in the field with organised training was the St. John Ambulance Brigade. Their society—or the idea of it—was born on a battlefield. The Franco-Prussian War of 1870 had shown what properly trained civilian first-aid could do.

In the succeeding generations of peace, at football matches, theatres, race-tracks, processions, and at all places where the public congregate, their familiar black and silver uniforms have become known to everybody.

They are paid nothing, they give their time and services free, they even buy their own uniforms.

Their work has extended until the Brigade to-day has 90,000 men, women and cadets. And every year that figure is increased by 5,000. In 1938 the workers handled 752,000 cases of accident and sudden illness.

Guided and helped by St. John men and members of the kindred society, the British Red Cross, hundreds of voluntary first-aid organisations have come into being. Their art has become a science which has led hundreds of thousands to the joy of helping their fellow-men.

The first to realise the practical value of first-aid knowledge were industrial workers. The railways to-day have 75,000 fully trained men, and the coal-mining industry nearly 100,000.

At the annual contests which take place for proficiency badges and for the various shield awards, teams often travel hundreds of miles and at their own expense. There are many districts where the success of their first-aid team is a more important matter than their local sports events.

But the biggest single development of the past year or two has been the enthusiasm with which the ordinary adult, the housewife and the "man in the street" have taken up first aid training.

In 1938 nearly 50,000 men and women gained first-class certificates in first-aid. They got their training in village halls, women's clubs and the various communal centres. All the teaching groups like the St. John Brigade have been overwhelmed with the demand for instructors.

In the old days first-aid was limited to simple training in subjects like bandaging and splinting, with a certain amount of rescue drill included.



Learning first-aid—no longer regarded as a queer hobby

But to-day a course includes diagnosis as well as emergency treatment.

Naturally, the crisis of last September and A.R.P. have helped to raise the number of trained first-aid workers towards the 2,000,000 mark.

Countless thousands of men and women realised that the objective of modern war is not merely the fighting man, but the civilian—the aged, the women and children in their homes, factories and offices.

And that it is incumbent on every citizen to become proficient in the science of first-aid, so that any one of us may in emergency be able to render immediate, practical and efficient assistance to casualties in enemy action.

IN the three months which ended on December 31, 1938, over 150,000 A.R.P. "rank and file" and instructors' certificates in first-aid were issued by the teaching organisations. That number must have been more than doubled during the present year.

If, as we all hope and believe, the dread event of war never materialises, the knowledge gained by the A.R.P. and National Service volunteers will still be invaluable.

Peace has its dangers as well as war—in the million mishaps any of which may happen to us. Knowledge gained about our own bodies, about the causes and effects of injuries and illness goes into the common pool for the betterment of mankind.

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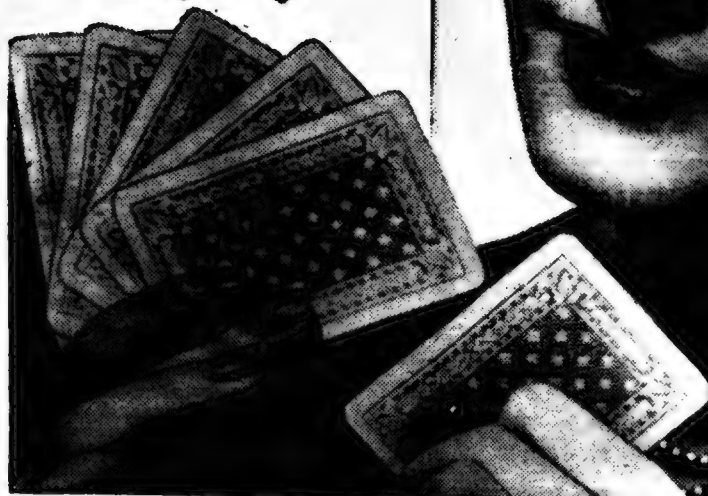
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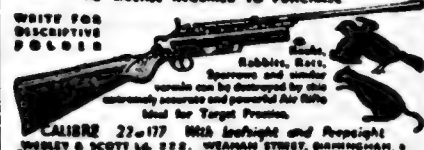
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SPEECH!

ALL night long Mr. Podsworthy had been going over things in his mind, sort of dipping into the basket and having a look.

Altogether, he had seen some queer how-d'you-do's.

With the patient hand of sixty-five he had unearthed the quick ecstasies of his boyhood, and his eyes had seen again the shapes of secret sorrows that had slept for years.

The first tiddler in the bottle-green jar. The first kiss, its sacramental rapture re-caught and held just long enough to shake him with magic.

The misery of minor disasters, the keen stab of major disappointments, the agony of his mother's death.

Harmonies, jarring discords, lovely dawns, grey days, black nights; grace and ugliness, beauty and evil. Terror in the eyes of a trapped rabbit, the quick dart of a kingfisher, the thunder of three-year-olds coming into the straight with the crowd yelling for Steve.

Fish and chips eaten out of the paper and a dinner at Strellis. Broke to the wide, and flush with a pay-day made on the three-thirty seller.

Crazy, that's what it was. You looked for a meaning and you were handed a laugh.

Or tears.

You made plans weeks ahead and they were undone in the twinkling of an eye. Or, faced with a crisis, you just muddled through, and things turned out with uncommon pleasantness after all.

What a cock-eyed world!

A lump of earth, revolving on its axis, sailing through space, a mere atom in the immensity of the universe, black with molecules of men.

Millions of men going to the office, the plough, the coal mine, or down to the sea in ships.

And that (thought Mr. Podsworthy) was the main thread which ran through

Mr. Podsworthy
sugged at his
lapels, looked up
at the ceiling and
began to dictate



an ideal—of the
ideal of faithful
stewardship.

Nelly, his wife, all smiles, had a hot breakfast ready for him, also a birthday present, a wallet in camel-skin, "to put the firm's cheque in to-night, darling," she said.

Mr. Podsworthy, kissing her, produced a sardonic smile.

"The firm's cheque," he nodded. "Alms for the needy. Backsheesh tossed to a beggar."

"Bitterness," pointed out his wife sweetly, "doesn't become you, John. You haven't got the right kind of sneering look for it."

"I may not have the right kind of sneering look," admitted Mr. Podsworthy, "but I've got the right kind of burning indignation."

"Well," said Nelly, "it isn't good for you at your time of life. And it isn't worth it. What good does it do?"

"It'll do me a lot of good," said Mr. Podsworthy, "if I can find an outlet for it."

"But you can't find an outlet for it. You'll have to keep it bottled up."

"Will I?" muttered Mr. Podsworthy darkly. "We'll see about that. I've got a few home truths to get off my chest that'll curl old Ballard's hair."

"Have some more toast," suggested Nelly, "and don't be silly."

"I'll have some more toast," said Mr. Podsworthy, "and I will be silly."

His wife looked at him sharply in some alarm. "You're surely not going to make a scene, darling?"

He laid down his knife and looked at his Nelly severely. "Would you have me compromise with myself, disseminate my feelings, play the hypocrite?"

"Now, John," said Nelly, on her dignity, "you know I won't be hectored. Pass me the marmalade, please."

"I'm not hectoring you. I'm asking you a plain question, yes or no?"

"Well," said Nelly judiciously, "one has to play the hypocrite at times. It's a part of the—er—the social convention."

"Social convention be blowed!" said Mr. Podsworthy heartily. "For the sake of social convention I've got to stand up and ape gratitude, to smile at old Ballard and tell him how much I've

enjoyed working with him, to express my regret at severing old associations. Is that it? Well, I won't do it, Nelly, and that's final."

"Yes you will," said Nelly confidently, "you'll just be your nice, gentlemanly self."

"Very well," said Mr. Podsworthy, "we shall see."

After breakfast he went out into the

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all a fellow's doings—the office, the plough, the coal mine, or the ship.

It was largely the main thread that Mr. Podsworthy had been thinking about. The office. Fifty years of unbroken service to Ballard Carroway and Co. Never a day off for illness, and countless hours of overtime worked without payment. And now—

Well, this was his last day, his sixty-fifth birthday. There was to be a farewell dinner. Thanks and appreciation from the directors. Speeches about faithful service and unremitting industry. Shouts for "good old Pod."

Congratulations, hopes for his future, maudlin assurances of good will. And at the end?

A gold watch with a suitable inscription, and a hundred pounds or so.

Mr. Podsworthy smiled bitterly. A hundred pounds. Two hundred pounds. Ninepence-halfpenny or so a week. Well done, good and faithful servant.

A hard man, Ballard. It was he who had consistently opposed a pension scheme.

"A man should put by for his old age," he had said, "if he's paid well. And mine are paid amply."

Amplify. It all depended (thought Mr. Podsworthy) on the point of view. Junior clerks might think his own salary of seven hundred and fifty a year more than ample.

On the other hand, he was a manager, and managers of concerns like Ballard Carroways drew a thousand a year upwards.

And what about that bonus he had always been going to draw when better times came? He had always been put off until next year. And lately Ballard Carroway and Co. had paid 25 per cent.

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Yours truly,
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For instance, no sooner did I answer on this page a complaint that too many prizes went to big cities than I received an indignant protest that not enough Londoners appeared in the winning lists!

Some doubters maintain that it is useless to expect a big prize unless you have entered several coupons weekly for a long time: others complain that occasional entrants steal the plums from the plodders.

One pessimist is even inclined to put down his lack of success to having inflicted several letters of criticism on the Competition Editor!

My answer to all these is just this: Trust JOHN BULL! No competition could have lasted over twenty-six years, as have our *Bullets* contests, unless every entrant had a square deal.

Take your hobby in the right sporting spirit. You would not dream of barracking the umpires at a cricket match.

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Now for some other letters.

Welcome Back!

I have returned to *Bullets* after a gap of twenty years spent in Egypt, and find the old competition a real brain refresher. There's one thing I'd like to know.

My name begins with "C": does that mean that every week the same judge examines my entries and those of others whose names begin with the same letter?—J. T. C., Lee Green.

Certainly not. When entries are delivered by the postmen, the envelopes are opened and, after being checked for date and correct entry-fee, coupons are sent to the judges' room in bundles of 100, without regard to names of entrants.

"Fair," Please

I cannot quite see the significance of the recent First Prize *Bullet*, WHY HE WENT—FAIR, FAIR WITHOUT FEAR. Should it not read "Fare without fear"?—Miss E. M., Hornsey Rise.

Your thoughts were on the wrong track. That "Bullet" simply refers, in first prize phrasing, to a man who achieved success through being fair and fearless.

No Cash for Coining

After entering a *Bullet* containing a play on "Czechmate," I read in *Bullets Bulletin* that such coined words are not encouraged; yet an article in JOHN BULL was headed "Is it Czechmate?" Later, I sent in an effort about "King Cotton," which was also a loser, although that was the title of a JOHN BULL article.—W. O., Burnley.

Coined words are not rewarded in modern "Bullets." Probably your cotton comment was not sufficiently original. By all means seek material for "Bullets" in these pages, but see that you present your comments in prize-worthy phrasing. Winning lists show standard to aim at.

Youthful Winners

I was under the impression that in competitions no prizes could be won by anyone under twenty-one years of age. Can you give me a ruling on this point?—Miss I. L. N., Swindon.

Our rules have no age restrictions for entrants. Many prizes have been won by youthful competitors in both "Bullets" and Crosswords.

Delve Deeper

JOHN BULL prides itself on its fairness and on its Crosswords being based on common-sense. Well, how do you account for "Short" being preferred as answer to the clue, "One sometimes sees a lot about this in press"? If it means sports wear, it should be "shorts" and if scarcity, "shortage." And how about "Table" as answer to "May be the kind one gets with traps"? Who ever heard of a table with traps?—W. L., Accrington.

You must delve deeper into the words. "Short" is a common abbreviation of "short-circuit"—of electrical



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current—also of a short film in a cinema programme. Tables with "traps" are frequently used by conjurers.

Two in One

You say that all *Bullets* are scrutinised and prizes awarded according to merit. Then how is it that no one person ever receives two prizes in one contest?—F. K. M., Scarborough.

You are wrong. Entrants frequently win two prizes in one contest—I noticed a Gloucestershire man—Mr. V. Mace, Moreton-in-Marsh—won £8 and also £2 10s, in "Bullets" No. 1,169, while in Contest No. 1,171, Mrs. M. L. Coates, Queensferry, Chester, won both £5 and £2 10s.

You May Type

Please inform me if there is any objection to *Bullets* being typed.—R. M., Loughborough.

None whatever, but you are asked to complete each coupon with your signature in ink.

Time to Think

Can we have certain *Bullets Examples* repeated by request? I often find that

my brightest ideas occur after closing date.—B. M. B., Sutton.

Sorry, but you must think of your fellow competitors, who naturally want fresh Examples to work on. Why not give yourself an extra week by using the advance Examples provided in "Bullets" Bulletin?

Family Entries

My husband and I are both keen "Bulleeteers." Can we enclose our entries in the same envelope, covered by one postal order, and thus save 2d.?—Mrs. E. K., Ilford.

Yes, you can. But I'm afraid only one of you can receive a "Bullets" first prize telegram on any one Friday!

Money for Eire

If a prize other than cash—a radio or a Christmas turkey, for instance—were won by a reader in Eire, would the winner have to pay Customs Duty?—Miss E. D., Dublin.

The usual practice is for JOHN BULL to provide winners of such prizes living in Eire with cash sums instead of the dutiable awards.

Race with "Silver Ring"

Jockey Club Should Tell

SOME recent actions by the Stewards of meetings—and I have in mind particularly the cases of Heliopolis at Chester and Tricameron at Hurst Park—have led to a great deal of controversy.

Some of the stories that get abroad whenever an enquiry is held by our Turf rulers are fanciful in the extreme.

Those who know most about the game are well satisfied to leave decisions to those in authority, knowing the absolute integrity and impartiality of the Stewards. The question arises, however, whether the reticence of the Jockey Club in these matters is in the best interest of the sport.

It would unquestionably help towards public confidence if the Stewards authorised the publication in the Press of evidence given before them when they investigate objections or enquire into discrepancies of running.

The explanation which the Stewards accept may be extremely simple, so why not kill ugly rumours by letting the public know?

In Australia they are apt, I think, to rather overdo the Stewards' enquiry

business, but I do most heartily commend the way in which they publish the results of any investigation into questionable running. Presumably there is a clause in the Rules of Racing "down under" whereby all who come under the jurisdiction of the Australian Jockey Club agree that any official findings may be published in the Press.

When you come to think of it, it is a Gilbertian situation. The newspapers here can, and do, slate the Prime Minister for all they are worth, but let them say that a fourth-rate jockey rode a bad race and the Editor would receive a solicitor's letter forthwith!

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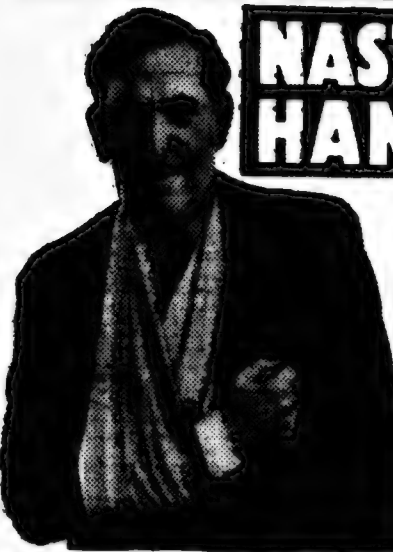
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2. Military leaders may have to allow for losses due to these in war
3. It may require technical experts to make a long one
4. One may bark at times
5. You wouldn't expect to get much for a second-hand one
6. Labor
7. Has a great deal of accurate information about stars
8. What political refugees are, nowadays
9. Number in detention
10. Traveller staying at hotel sometimes has this of boots
11. Jerrybuilder's may be to impress prospective buyers

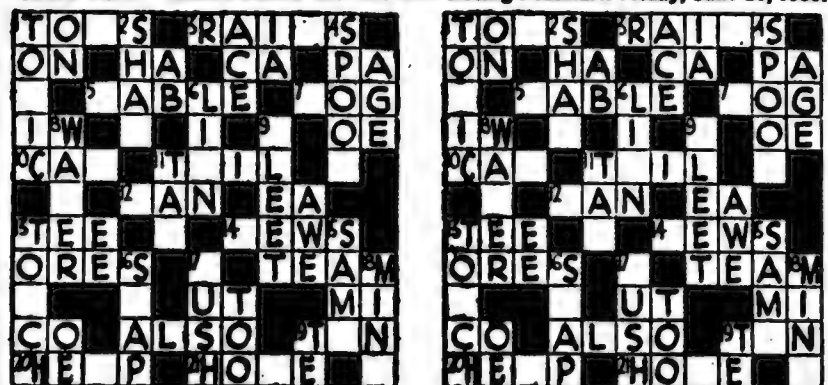
DOWN CLUES

1. Some people would delight in discussing a good one
2. It's annoying to find you have been taken in by
3. Travellers often take one just for spare
4. King of the jungle
5. Rider of horses should not do this upon one
6. May be unwelcome on roads
7. Government keeps this on all theatrical entertainments open to the public
8. Light one is sometimes called for
9. Identical
10. Most people find it hard to take one
11. What you see growing at river's edge is usually this
12. Government keeps its supplies of money in this

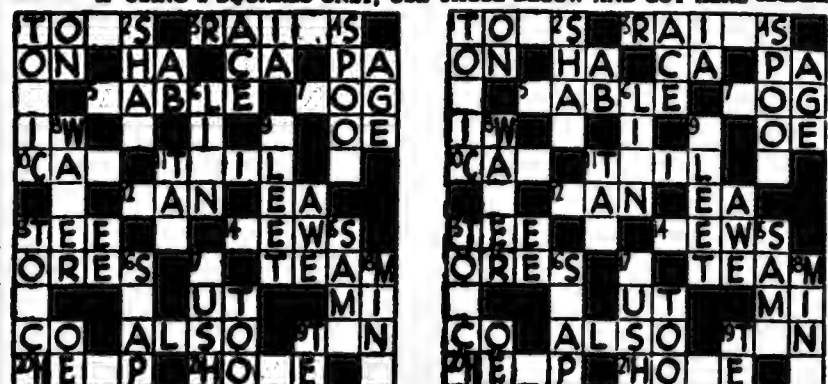
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2 Big Cheques Won In Crossword No. 155

In connection with "John Bull" Crossword No. 155 the Adjudication Committee decided that the entrants who indicated the most meritorious Sets of Answers for one Square (see on right) were the following two competitors:—

G. GRAVER, 21, West End Road, Cottenham, Yorks.

A. H. GALE, Town End, Wyke, Warrminster, Wilts.

Subject to the Terms and Conditions of the competition, these competitors share the First Prize of £100, and a cheque for £175 will be sent to each.

Any other entrant who believes that he submitted an entry eligible for a share of this Prize must demand a scrutiny by not later than First Post, Tuesday, June 20, sending £1 Scrutiny Fee, copy of all entries submitted and Postal Order number. Envelope to be registered, marked "Scrutiny," and addressed to the Competition Editor of "John Bull."

No scrutiny can be undertaken in connection with the £100 award to Runners-up. This prize has been divided between 17 competitors from whom we received entries inferior in merit by reason of only one less and accurate Answer compared with the best entries received. These winners will each receive £3 17s. 6d. A list of these Runners-up can be seen at the "John Bull" office, and all have been notified.

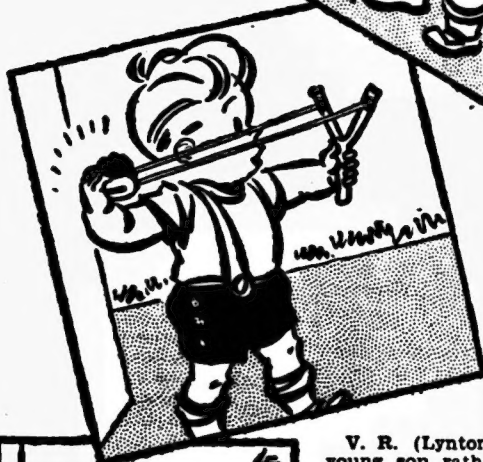
£5 Holiday Cash will be sent to every cash winner in Contest No. 155 who also secures a cash prize in Crossword No. 156.

A useful Surprise Award will be posted this week to each of 230 entrants from whom we received an entry differing from entries of Runners-up by only one less meritorious Answer.

WINNING WORDS.

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The Editor Laughs Last



The Kid
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LEES



V. R. (Lynton).—"When I asked my young son rather an awkward question, he indicated that his mouth was full of toffee." He was stuck for a reply?

P. L. (Hull).—"I know a girl who invariably sticks stamps on envelopes upside down." She is not the only one who turns men's heads.

PEGGY (SWANAGE).—"I'VE MET HIM THREE TIMES BUT HE STILL SEEMS TO BE MADE OF ICE." WHY NOT TRY A FEW MELTING GLANCES?

Miss G. (Hampstead).—"When you see me serving at Wimbledon you will realise what real speed is." Well, if we are in a hurry for our tea we will sit at your table.

D. N. (Exeter).—"When I said I had to go, she gave a deep sigh." Of relief?

R. D. (Mansfield).—"When I write you a letter I expect a letter in reply." "O."

F. V. (Portsmouth).—"My wife has a voice like velvet." Don't tell her so or she may want a dress to match it.

H. F. (Ely).—"Should housewives lend neighbours their labour-saving devices?" Certainly not—a husband's place is in his own home.

P. M. (Bude).—"White spats are generally a sign that the wearer suffers with cold feet." So that is why so many bridegrooms wear them.

S. L. (Uttoxeter).—"Troubles rarely come singly." For instance, who ever heard of anybody suffering from only one mump?

J. G. (Harrington).—"My sister-in-law had a nasty fall when climbing a stile the other day." We trust she got over it all right.

S. C. (SUNBURY).—"MY WIFE IS VERY ANNOYED BECAUSE MY WIRELESS SET BROKE DOWN HALF-WAY THROUGH A BROADCAST." YOU'LL NEVER HEAR THE END OF IT.

COCKNEY (London, E.C.1).—"On a hot June day I long for a thick November fog." London's statues don't worry us to that extent.

Mrs. J. M. (Preston).—"My hubby is keen on Scotland for our holiday, but I want to go to Margate." You'll probably compromise by going to Margate. If you care to go at JOHN BULL's expense, see page 39.

COMEDIAN (Bristol).—"After signing my name in the hotel visitors' book, I put the word 'wit' as my occupation. What do you think happened?" Someone added the prefix "nit".

(Many replies unavoidably held over)

AMERICAN (Mayfair).—"I attended one of your English cricket matches but it lasted only a few minutes." Did you leave the ground when the umpire shouted "Over"?

SPORT (Lewes).—"I can give you an infallible racing system. Can you guess what it is?" We know. Back the horses you don't.

F. N. (Soham).—"I am going to Africa next month and I should like somebody to write to me regularly." Try leaving your tailor's bill unpaid.

WRESTLER (Horton).—"My first opponent was a sailor, and I was lucky to dispose of him quickly." By throwing the salt over your shoulder?

T. P. (Margate).—"My particular branch of athletics is not represented at the Olympic Games." Are you an egg-and-spoon champion?

CLERK (Harrow).—"Having had a heated argument with my employer over my holidays, it now seems possible that I shall be able to have them in August after all." Why, has he given you notice?

JOHN (East Coast).—"The A.R.P. practice black-out the other night was a huge success." See letter below.

BETTY (East Coast).—"During the A.R.P. black-out the other night, John and I decided to get married." See letter above.

T. T. (Darlington).—"Have you ever known a lifelong teetotaler who did not sleep well?" Yes, the baby next door.

S. L. (MARLOW).—"SHE LOOKED SOUR EVEN ON HER WEDDING DAY." DID SHE WEAR LEMON BLOSSOM?

K. L. (Cromer).—"I made up my mind to kiss her before the end of the evening, although she had used far too much lipstick." Did it come off?

L. D. (Sheffield).—"There is one thing my business still needs." Customers?

HUSTLER (Lincoln).—"Long and wordy invitations have no appeal for me." You prefer a quick one?

H. F. M. (Runcorn).—"I often wonder why people camp out." Well, they would look frightfully silly camping indoors.

LIBRARIAN (London, S.E.).—"I have just finished another book and the ending left me very depressed." Ah, your cheque book?

H. P. (Richmond).—"I met him coming from the river with a large basket of fish and he said he had caught the whole batch." Not bought the whole catch?

F. M. (LEEDS).—"I AM AFRAID TO GIVE MY WIFE AN INCH IN CASE SHE MAY THINK THAT SHE IS THE RULER?"

J. G. (Dundee).—"I often buy my young lady a lipstick for a present." You like to give her something you know you will get back?

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Miss J. (Bedford).—"I wonder what the fashionable girl is going to bathe in this summer?" Water.

R. B. (Frome).—"What would happen if we had the same weather all the year round in this country?" We should probably have the same conversation, too.

Mrs. K. (Leatherhead).—"I took the hammer from my husband and drove the rest of the nails in like lightning." See letter below.

Mrs. K. (Leatherhead).—"When my wife uses a hammer she never strikes in the same place twice." See letter above.

S. B. (Ryde).—"As a young man I once participated in a bell-ringing contest which lasted five hours before a decision was reached." It must have been a ding-dong struggle.

SIDE-SLIPS

Examples of unconscious humour from the current Press are welcomed. Actual cuttings must be sent. 2/6 is paid to the sender of each item published. Mark envelope "Side-Slips." When the same "Slip" is submitted by more than one person, that which arrives with the earliest postmark receives the award.

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NORFOLK CHRONICLE:—"Choose firm tomatoes, cut off the tops and scoop out the fur."

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Mr. Podsworthy Gets a Shock

garden and breathed indignation into the ears of his roses. A piece of plain speaking, he told himself, was what Ballard had long stood in need of.

And, besides, it was up to him to preserve his intellectual honesty at all costs. Mr. Podsworthy hated hypocrisy of any kind.

It would have to be pretty pointed, too, he reflected. He couldn't very well include Carroway in his strictures, for Carroway, he knew, had always been liberal minded.

Carroway had indeed stood up for his principles of late more and more, right up to the point of rupture with his senior partner, without, however, making much impression.

Yes, he would have to aim at Ballard by name. Mr. Podsworthy rubbed his hands, relishing the prospect. He rolled some phrases on his tongue.

AFTER his afternoon siesta Mr. Podsworthy asked Nelly to step into his study. He had never been able to make an extempore speech, and it was his practice to get Nelly to type them for him.

"Are you still in the same state of sweet reasonableness, John?" she asked. "If you mean have I altered my intention, Nelly," said Mr. Podsworthy, "I have not. Bearing that in mind, are you willing to type my speech for me?"

"I'll type it," conceded Nelly, "but under protest." "Very well," Mr. Podsworthy tugged at his lapels, looked up at the ceiling, and began to pace the room.

"Mr. Chairman," he said severely, after a preliminary cough, "gentlemen. My task, I am afraid, is a thankless one, and I could wish that I were leaving you in happier circumstances. But however much I would like to give expression to those sentiments which commonly mark such an occasion as this, I find that I cannot do so and preserve the truth." "Well," said Nelly, "you certainly know how to be portentous, darling. Next."

"As you all know, and particularly Mr. Chairman, to whom these remarks are personally addressed, I have always been on the side of a more liberal policy in the direction of this firm. I have repeatedly pressed, in so far as I was allowed to ventilate my opinion, for more tolerance in the administration, for what I will call the give-and-take spirit in day-to-day affairs."

"**B**AD taste," remarked Nelly, personally addressing the chairman. "Go on."

"That," went on Mr. Podsworthy, like an accusing angel, "has never been conceded. I regret to have to say it, but you, Mr. Chairman, have consistently shown a hard and unyielding temper. If I were to express myself as being sorry to sever the ties which have bound me to you for half a century, I should be lying."

"Oh, come," murmured Nelly, "Isn't that rather forthright?"

"Not half so forthright," said Mr. Podsworthy, "as what's coming. The last word was lying, wasn't it? Go on from there."

"The mere amassing of money for its own sake is to be deplored. Not only is it anti-social, but it shows a mean spirit. And you, Mr. Chairman, cannot be exempted from this miserable practice."

"You have amassed money at the expense of your employees. You have persistently turned a deaf ear to any proposals which might ameliorate their lot."

"Notwithstanding the fact that other and more enlightened firms have introduced pension schemes, you have stood aside."

Mr. Podsworthy warmed to his work.

He produced cutting periods, pointed shrewd instances, and hammered home telling blows. When he had finished he suddenly realised that if he would reach the city in time he'd have to move.

The dinner was at the George Hotel, a moderate sort of tavern where the furnishings echoed the cheapness of the tariff, and Mr. Podsworthy arrived just in time for cocktails.

In accordance with a spirit of recklessness which had come over him, he had three or four.

By the time they put on the soup he was feeling like an avenging Nemesis, ready to deal faithfully with a score of Ballards.

The wine, a remarkably good Bollinger, helped considerably, and Mr. Podsworthy began to be very snooty and upstage.

He was a Man with a Mission, and the potency of the brandy which topped off the meal doubly confirmed him in this impression.

He pursed his lips, scowled terrifically, was judicial, weighty, ponderous. But once or twice he found himself shaken by laughter. He just laughed, helplessly, at nothing, at anything. And before he knew where he was the toast of Mr. Podsworthy was given.

There was a good deal of shouting. Feet drummed on the floor, and fists on the table. As he got to his feet they burst into the time-honoured refrain—*And so say all of us. He's a jolly good je-hell-ow. . . .*

THREE cheers for good old Pod. Hip, hip, hip!

Mr. Podsworthy tightened his lips, looked down short-sightedly at the folded cheque and the parcel, and fumbled for his speech.

No use. He had to go through with it. "Mr. Chairman," he began, harshly, and paused to dart an accusing glance at old Ballard. "Gentlemen. This is hardly a happy occasion. To look round this table, to see so many familiar faces, and to realise that I am at the parting of the ways—that, gentlemen, brings a pang."

Mr. Podsworthy halted. He passed a hand helplessly over his forehead. Something, he realised muzzily, had gone wrong with the text. But he couldn't sit down. Nor could he retract his words. He looked at the rows of waiting faces, then back at his manuscript.

"As I look back along the road from the standpoint of sixty-five years. I note many happy incidents, and see the beginnings of many delightful friendships which, I am proud to say, have endured to this day."

A pause here for thunder of clapping. Really, thought Mr. Podsworthy, this was getting hopeless.

"As to our directors. Mr. Ballard and Mr. Carroway—"

MR. PODSWORTHY stared like a man bewitched at the next sentence. He swayed. Perhaps, he thought, he'd had one or two over the eight. Oh, hang. Let it go.

"I should like to pay them a well-deserved tribute. No man, I venture to say, could have wished for more harmonious conditions than those I have enjoyed during my fifty years of service."

Mr. Podsworthy sat down amid a storm of applause. He realised that he had failed, that Nelly had grossly betrayed him.

But perhaps, he thought, it was just as well. Dazedly, half-absently, he fumbled with his cheque.

Yes, it was just as well. Mr. Podsworthy's heart leapt within him as he read: *Pay or order Mr. Podsworthy the sum of fifteen hundred pounds, J. F. Ballard, A. W. Carroway.*

Clerk Writes £300 Traffic Warning



Mr. W. P. Larkin

LIKE hundreds of other JOHN BULL readers, the thirty-two-year-old clerk you see here often rides a bicycle to and from his work. He is employed in Messrs. Gieve's outfitters' store, 14, Lord Street, Liverpool.

Both in Liverpool and on his cycling holidays, Mr. W. P. Larkin has seen much of the perils of our crowded roads. Now, for writing a four-word warning about their dangers, JOHN BULL has just sent him a cheque for £300!

This was Mr. Larkin's splendid reward for heading our 1,170th *Bullets* prize-list with the topical and telling effort, *Crowded Road—Often Causes "Slow Procession."*

"That *Example* immediately put me in mind of a long line of cars moving at a snail's pace," this keen competitor told a JOHN BULL man. "I also thought of the terrible number of deaths on our crowded roads. As soon as I hit on the key-word 'procession' to link these two thoughts, my £300 effort was finished. It was one of the quickest made *Bullets* I have ever entered."

It took a London "Bulleter" no more trouble to turn out this Contest's neat Second Prize effort, *HITLER DEMANDS—WALK-OVER, NO "TALK-OVER."*

"The *Example* reminded me that Hitler's aim has been victory without a contest and that he has turned down all proposals for a conference," related this winner, Mr. F. Chappel, 6, Belgrave Gardens, Southgate. "For thinking of the right phrasing immediately I have no doubt to thank my many years of pleasant *Bullets* training."

Great New ROYAL TOUR OFFER Next Week!

It was polishing up a rough idea, he said, that led to the Third Prize success of Mr. H. N. Smith, 18, Redstone Manor, Redhill. His was the striking effort, *WITH ALL HER MIGHT—ENGLAND'S VIGILANT, NOT BELLIGERENT.*

"Whenever I have a promising idea, I jot it down," this "Bulleter" related. "When I return to it later an improvement in phrasing is often the result, turning a very ordinary remark into a prize-worthy *Bullet*."

Some chance remark you hear to-day, something you read in this JOHN BULL or some idea suggested by one of those *Examples* opposite may prove worth a big cheque and Free Holiday to you! Start now on your search for *Bullets* material and let JOHN BULL send you to the seaside with your pockets full of prize-money!

RESULT OF COMPETITION No. 1,72

FIRST PRIZE, £300 Cash, plus Seaside Holiday for Two:
Miss E. CLARK, 186, Harrow Road, Paddington, W.

Example: IN FEAR AND TREMBLING
Bullet: PESSIMIST—He's OUR "DANGER."

SECOND PRIZE, £25 and Seaside Holiday:

M. G. DALE, County House, High Pavement, Nottingham.

Example: Dad's An Optimist, So
Bullet: Sacks Politics—Packs "Gladstone."

THIRD PRIZE, £10 and Seaside Holiday:

M. VARLEY, 1, Hamilton Road, Carr Hall, Nelson, Lancs.

Example: Fate Stepped In And
Bullet: Sunstroke Got Slum Owner!

OTHER PRIZES:

29: Mrs. S. A. DAVIES, 97, New Hall Street, Willenhall, Staffs.

Example: Crowning Joy—Missed, Crowding In Enjoyment.

28: M. PARSONS, 145, Nutgrove Road, St. Helens, Lancs.

Example: Man In Khaki—Won't Carry Umbrella, Adolf!

27: T. CORLETT, 2, Hatfield Solree, Douglas, Isle of Man.

Example: Going To The Front—Sonny—Teacher Spotted "Armaments!"

26: J. R. DALOLIESH, 130, Inveresk Road, Musselburgh.

Example: Kaiser Hitler—Couldn't Make Turkey "Goose-step."

25: W. T. NEWBY, 145, Cathall Road, Leytonstone, E.

Example: Her Baby—"Grand." Between The "Music" And The "Dance."

24: J. DOWNE, Devoran, Shipway Lane, Torquay.

Example: The Sea Was Rough, So—Hitler Reviewed "Unshakable Army!"

23: B. C. ANDERSON, 19, Orchard Grove, Edgware.

Example: In Matrimony's Ballroom—"Spotlight" Avoids The "Winners."

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J. H. BRYER, 278, Ashley Road, Parkstone, Dorset.

Example: Taxpayer's Holiday—Porter's Opinion, Eyeing Twopence!

G. CUFFLEY, 21, Cedar Road, Norwich, Norfolk.

Example: To Save Gold—Deep Shelters Are "Essential!"

S. F. DICKERSON, 66, Dickens Road, East Ham, E.

Example: Her Baby—"Gamble"—"Won" His Mother.

H. JEMPSON, 22, Blantyre Street, Hulme, Manchester.

Example: Paradise Of Love—But Taxi-meter's "The Devil!"

Miss A. McKIDD, 96, Jackmans Place, Letchworth.

Example: "You Coward!"—Says Tooth, Repassing Dentist's.

G. SMITH, 5, Clifford Street, West Gorton, Manchester.

Example: Fate Stepped In And—Almost Changed Wife's Plans!

F. TYZACK, 59, Middle Street, Blackhall, W. Hartlepool.

Example: In Matrimony's School—No "Holidays," My "Lesson."

J. WALKER, 7, Spencer Terrace, Sheepridge, Huddersfield.

Example: Thanks To Conscension—Sonny Escapes From "Sonny—"

A. WHITTEMORE, 64, Balfour Road, Northampton.

Example: In Fear And Trembling—Almost, Germans Shake Tablecloths!

List of 30 winners of 7-in-1 Holiday Awards and 200 3-in-1 Surprise Awards can be seen at these offices.

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To make a prize *Bullet*, simply take an *Example* and add any TWO, THREE or FOUR words of apt and original comment, closely linked with that particular *Example*.

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Before starting on your own efforts, study the leading *Bullets* in our 1,172nd Contest which appear on the opposite page. Then turn to the *Examples*, for your entry must be posted on or before Saturday, June 24.

USE THESE "EXAMPLES"

SAFE HOME
NOW HE'S IN KHAKI
SEA BREEZES
IF WE KEEP FAITH
MORE TROUBLE
BLOT ON HUMANITY
DAD WENT FISHING, BUT
LOSING BATTLE
ADVICE TO NEWLYWEDS
MODERN CHILD
AT OUR FLOWER SHOW
THINKS HE'S CLEVER
"GOOD-BYE!"
HE'S HER HUSBAND, SO
WHEN THE BLOW FELL
CALM AND COLLECTED
THINK OF MOTHER AND
LONELY GIRL
BLOODLESS VICTORY
WORTH THE MONEY

The six "Examples" below are for completion with any one additional word of your choice in the position indicated by dotted line. Thus you will find it easy to discover attractive and differing "Examples" to augment those provided.

NOW AUNTIE'S
TREAT FOR
GIVE HIM AND
AMUSED THE
..... AT THE SEASIDE
..... OF OPTIMISM

What's your

"BULLETS" MOTTO?

See page 34

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Dear Sirs,

MANCHESTER, May 11th, 1939.

I have been suffering from Nervous Debility for years. A few weeks ago I sent a younger brother for a medicine that I was in the habit of taking, and by some mistake he returned with a bottle of Yeast-Vite Tablets.

I tried these, and am now very thankful for the mistake, as they proved wonders. I wouldn't be without Yeast-Vite now, and wish to thank them for my much improved health.

Yours sincerely, (Signed) S. C.

HEAPS OF PEOPLE HAVE NOTICED THE CHANGE

—says Hospital Sister

Homerton,
2nd May, 1939.

Dear Sirs,

I have given two or three bottles of your Yeast-Vite Tablets away to my colleagues as I have felt wonderful benefit from them. I cannot praise Yeast-Vite too highly.

All my weariness has vanished and life is now a pleasure and I do not seem to worry at all. In fact I feel 10 years younger and heaps of people have noticed the change and it is all through taking Yeast-Vite Tablets. Two with each meal and two at bedtime.

Thanking you once more.

Yours truly,
(Signed) Sister C. J.

SURGEON tells me I am A WALKING MIRACLE

Burton-on-Trent,
11th March, 1938.

Dear Sirs,

I should like to show how grateful I am to Yeast-Vite and the wonderful good they have done me. It is rather a complicated story of years of ill-health, involving two major operations by a well-known Midland surgeon, who tells me I am a walking miracle and I honestly believe Yeast-Vite has helped me to regain my health and strength. So you may judge for yourself how delighted I am at finding a tonic in Yeast-Vite.

Yours faithfully,
(Signed) Mrs. K. H.

"Wonderful" For Gastric Troubles

Hounslow, 6th September, 1938.

Dear Sirs,

I always read your advertisements with much interest and have for a long time been going to write about what I consider your wonder Tablets' most wonderful case. For years I suffered from a weak stomach, a sort of Dysentery, and although I had all sorts of medical advice, could obtain no settled relief. At times I could not leave the house and often had to break my short railway journey. I could not trust myself to go to a Football or Cricket Match or a day's drive through the country.

I tried your Yeast-Vite tablets with amazing results, and can now do my daily journey to town and join others in a day's outing.

Gastric troubles like mine seem to be most prevalent to-day, and I have recommended your Yeast-Vite to hundreds with the one result, wonderful.

Yours sincerely, Mr. L. V. C.

Wife's Rheumatism
Husband's Nerves and Insomnia

Leigh-on-Sea,
24th Feb., 1938.

Dear Sirs,

I have found great benefit from your Yeast-Vite Tablets, especially for Rheumatism.

I was so pleased with them I got my husband to take them for nerves and insomnia. He has only had them a week, but already feels better.

Yours faithfully,
(Signed) Mrs. T.

"Greatly Surprised After FIRST DOSE

—I Felt Quite Strong"

London, N.W.1,
May 14th, 1939.

Dear Sirs,

I feel I must write and tell you how wonderful your Yeast-Vite tablets are. I was very bad with my nerves and pimples on my face, and had to give up my work. I happened to see your advert. and got a 1s. 3d. size. I had so little faith in them, as I had tried nearly everything, but was greatly surprised after the first dose, I felt quite strong. I have now finished the bottle and I must say that they beat all the tonics I have tried.

Sincerely yours,
(Signed) G. H.

Rheumatism & Headaches
Saffron Walden,
1st May, 1939.

Gentlemen,

I find Yeast-Vite Tablets are a splendid pick-me-up, also for Rheumatism, and as I often get very severe headaches, I take them for that too, when they always give relief.

Yours sincerely,
(Signed) Mrs. F. S.

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"Work Ran My Nerves To Pieces"

Canning Town,
21st June, 1938.

Dear Sirs,

I wish to write you this letter in praise of Yeast-Vite Tablets.

I work in a Public House and the continual indoor life and long hours ran my nerves to pieces and I lost all my colour, always looking strained and white. I had several bottles of medicine which did not touch me. I was then recommended Yeast-Vite, of which I purchased a 3s. bottle, and I can assure you of a complete recovery from nerves; and a healthy complexion. I will definitely recommend Yeast-Vite to anyone.

Yours faithfully,
(Signed) J. H.

DEPRESSED & RUN DOWN

"Now My Old Self Again"

London, E.1
January 25th, 1939.

Sirs,

I feel that I must write thanking you for the amazingly good results which I have derived from taking "Yeast-Vite" tablets. I have felt very depressed and run down for months past, and have tried so many so-called tonics, but without success. I was persuaded to try "Yeast-Vite" and after the first couple of bottles I began to feel my old self again. I can assure you I will never be without them, as I owe quite a lot to their good results. Once again, thanking you.

I am, yours faithfully,
(Signed) Miss H. C.

The Great Yeast-Vite HEALTH OFFER

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If you suffer from

**HEADACHES, INDIGESTION, NERVE TROUBLES,
DEPRESSION, LASSITUDE, INSOMNIA, RHEUMATISM,
that RUN DOWN or "LIFE'S NO GOOD" FEELING—**

go to your nearest chemist at once and get a 1/3 bottle of Yeast-Vite. If it doesn't "do the trick" in your own particular case, if you don't feel better QUICKLY and get PERMANENT BENEFIT, simply return the empty carton to Irving's Yeast-Vite, Ltd., Watford, within one month of purchase, and your money will be refunded at once and in full without quibble or question.

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